



Hell—The Lake of Fire

An Eternal Fire?

Or an Eternal Punishment Ending in the Second Death?

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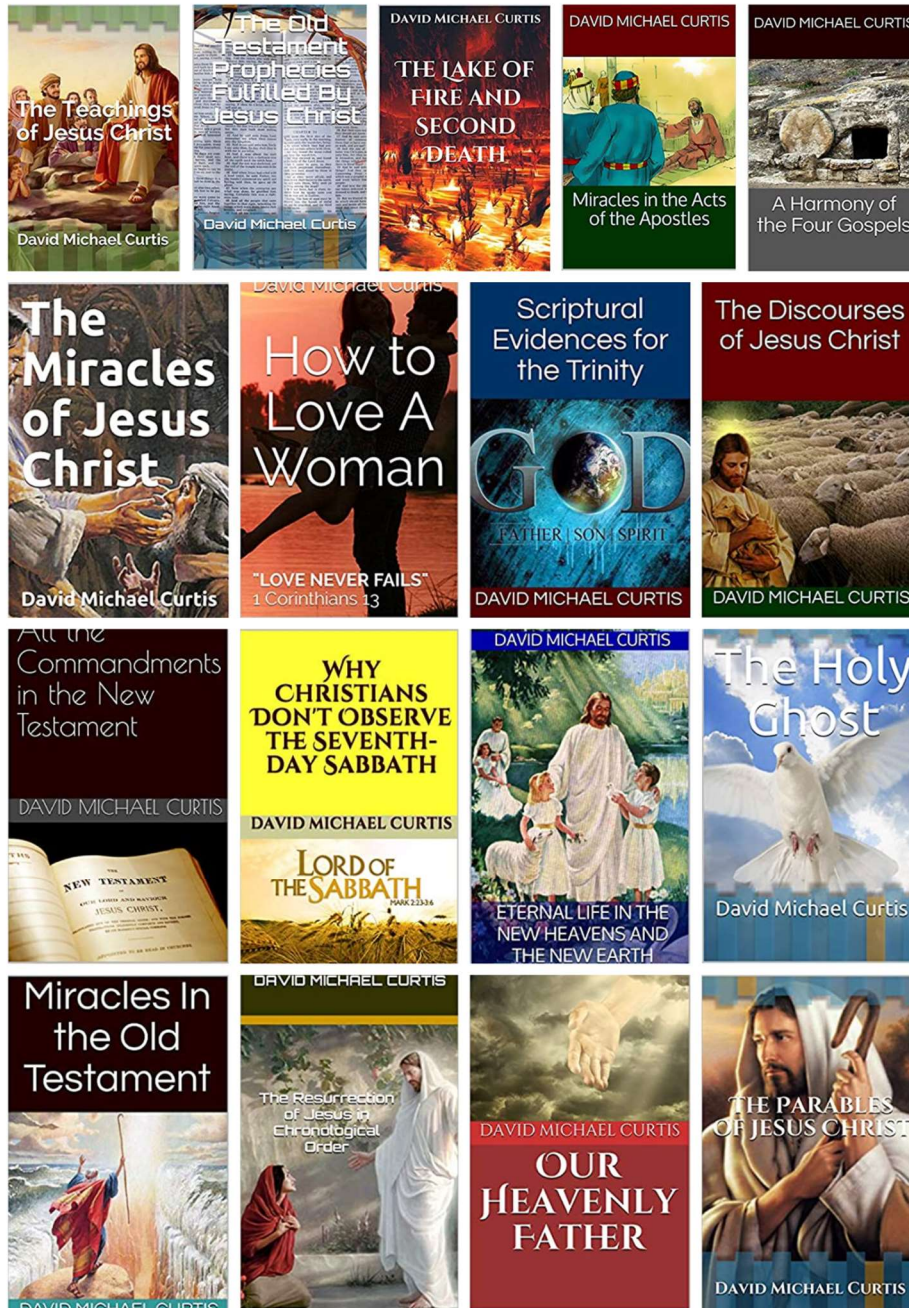
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Was It Jesus or the Holy Spirit Who Preached to the Spirits Who Are Now in Prison?—Part 1

By David Michael Curtis

The document, "Was It Jesus or the Holy Spirit Who Preached to the Spirits Who Are Now in Prison—Part 1" by David Michael Curtis, discusses interpretations of 1 Peter 3:18-22 and 2 Peter 2:3-6. It addresses misconceptions about Jesus descending into hell and preaching to lost souls in a fiery place of torment.

The document argues that the Lake of Fire is a future event at Judgment Day and not a current place of torment. It states that judgment precedes punishment, and the resurrection of condemnation occurs at the end of the thousand years, not before.

It explains that the devil and his fallen demons are not cast into the lake of fire until the end of the 1,000 years, and people who die are dead and awaiting the resurrection of condemnation. The document clarifies that there is no intermediate state of existence without a physical or angelic body.

Furthermore, it discusses the biblical understanding of death as returning to dust and ashes, with the spirit returning to God. It asserts that the lost and condemned are reserved for Judgment Day and have no awareness of anything happening. The document condemns divination and the worship of the dead, contrasting these practices with the worship of the God of Abraham.

The document differentiates between biblical teaching and Greek and Roman mythology, which depicts Hades as a place of eternal torment. It explains that Jesus' descent into "hell" refers to his burial in a tomb. It also emphasizes that the Holy Spirit preached to the spirits in prison through Noah, not Jesus descending into a fiery place of torment. The spirits in prison are the dead awaiting judgment.

Dear friends,

Scriptural Foundation.

1 Peter 3:18-22 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but **quickened by the Spirit: By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;** Which sometime were disobedient, **when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing,** wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. The like figure whereunto *even* baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

2 Peter 2:3-6 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not. For if **God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast *them* down to hell, and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth *person*, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned *them* with an overthrow, making *them* an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;**

Misconceptions About Jesus Descending into Hell.

The Bible teaches that Jesus descended into hell, and the Apostle Peter mentions preaching in relation to this event. Today, we need to clarify some misunderstandings surrounding this teaching. The common belief is that Jesus descended into a fiery place of torment to preach the Gospel to lost, condemned souls suffering from a fire somewhere deep within the Earth. However, there are several misconceptions regarding this idea.

The Nature and Timing of the Lake of Fire.

First, let's address whether there is a fiery place of torment located in the middle of the Earth right now. The answer is no; there is not. The Lake of Fire is an event that is still in the future and will occur on the great day of God Almighty—Judgment Day. This day has not yet happened. The lake of fire is reserved for fallen angels, as well as those who receive the mark of the beast. The beast and the false prophet are among those who have a reserved spot in the lake of fire. However, since Judgment Day has not occurred, it is illogical and inconsistent with Scripture to teach that people are being tormented by fire immediately upon death.

Judgment Precedes Punishment.

The reason this view is inconsistent is that Judgment Day, when God will judge all souls, has not yet taken place. Therefore, we need to clarify whether God is punishing people in advance of that judgment. The answer is no; they are not being tormented in advance. Revelation 20 teaches us that "the rest of the dead did not live until the thousand years were over." There will be a resurrection of the righteous and a resurrection of the condemned. The resurrection of condemnation occurs at the end of the thousand years, not before, and it is on hold until that time.

The Millennium and the Abyss.

During the thousand years, the devil is chained in the abyss, which we have discussed in detail in the documents on Google Drive related to the Millennium or the thousand years.

The Timing of Casting into the Lake of Fire.

The main point we need to highlight now is that the devil and his fallen demons are not cast into the lake of fire until the end of the 1,000 years. This is also when the beast, the false prophet, those who received the mark of the beast, and everyone else who is lost and condemned will be cast into the lake of fire.

Death, Resurrection, and the State of the Dead.

To clarify the timeline, first, there is a judgment, and then there is punishment. No one is being punished right now; they are dead and waiting for the resurrection of condemnation, which happens at the end of the 1,000 years. In 1 Corinthians 15 and 2 Corinthians 5, the Apostle Paul clearly teaches that there are two types of bodies: one that is flesh and blood and another that is an angelic body, which is now in heaven. There is no intermediate state of existence without one of these bodies.

The Biblical Understanding of Death.

Here is the sequence of events when a person dies: they are laid in the grave, returning to dust and ashes, while the Spirit, or the ability to breathe, returns to God, who gave it. Without breath, there is no life. Go to any emergency room, and a doctor will confirm that if you are not breathing, you are dead. This is common sense, and the Bible agrees with medical professionals.

The State of the Lost and Condemned After Death.

When someone who is lost or condemned dies, they are laid in the grave, return to dust and ashes, and wait for the resurrection of condemnation. They are reserved, just like the fallen angels, for Judgment Day, and they have no awareness of anything happening. Any teaching that suggests a spirit leaves the body and exists in heaven or hell with thoughts, feelings, emotions, and awareness is called divination. This practice is condemned in the Law of Moses. Those who attempt to contact the dead are practicing divination, which is an abomination to God.

Idolatry and the Worship of the Dead.

It is essential to distinguish between the worshippers of the God of Abraham and everyone else. Many others have fallen into the false idea of worshipping dead people. All idolatry is rooted in the worship of the dead. Idols—whether small or large statues—were created to commemorate dead people. Typically, these were kings, and the religion of that nation taught that a deceased king became a god, leading people to make statues and venerate them through worship and prayer.

Worshipping dead people or praying to them constitutes idolatry. The idea that departed spirits exist and that we can contact them through Ouija boards or séances is also a form

of divination, a practice condemned in Scripture. We need to make a clear break from idolatry and the worship of the dead, as well as anything connected to it.

The Dead Know Nothing.

The Bible teaches that the dead are truly dead. This is common sense; even a medical doctor would agree with the notion that dead people are dead. There is nothing mystical about it. The dead do not know anything, do not have feelings or memories, and are not aware of what people on Earth are doing. There are biblical verses that support each of these points.

Greek and Roman Mythology vs. Biblical Teaching.

So, what about Jesus descending into hell? If you were a Greek or Roman, you might interpret this as Jesus descending into Hades. In Greek and Roman mythology, Hades was viewed as a place beneath the Earth, an eternal realm of torment. This mythology included a god named Jupiter, depicted with horns, a tail, and a pitchfork, who would eternally torment the condemned in fire.

The Origin of Counterfeit Narratives.

Now, let's demystify this deception and examine how the devil likely developed it. Isaiah, dating back to around 700 BC, clearly defined the punishment of the wicked by fire at the end of the world. However, the development of Greek and Roman mythology occurred nearly 200 years later. This gave the devil ample time to study what the Bible, through Isaiah and Moses, taught about the destruction of the wicked at the end of days by fire.

During that period, he had the opportunity to create a counterfeit narrative—a lie that intertwined with the beliefs of those willing participants in Greece. They helped shape the idea that fallen kings, who became gods, were worshipped and prayed to, with statues erected in their honor. This led to the belief that these false gods had control over places known as Heaven and Hades.

Distinct Frameworks: Mythology vs. Scripture.

It's essential to note that this mythological framework is entirely separate from Christianity and the religion of ancient Israel in the Old Testament. These beliefs developed independently, yet they ran parallel to each other throughout history.

Biblical Teaching on the Destruction of the Wicked.

The Bible introduces the concept of the destruction of the wicked at the end of days by fire, suggesting that it ultimately results in ashes. This can be easily demonstrated by examining every verse in the Old Testament that is quoted by New Testament figures such as Jesus and the apostles. Each of these New Testament references—regarding the worm that doesn't die, the eternal destruction, and the smoke rising forever—

originates from Old Testament authors. In each instance cited in the New Testament, the event takes place in one day and concludes with ashes. The wicked are destroyed, and their destruction is eternal.

Counterfeit Belief Systems.

This original belief, which the apostles and Christ were referencing in the New Testament, stands in contrast to a parallel counterfeit religion that developed in Greece and Rome, influenced by Greek philosophers like Plato and Aristotle. These philosophers created a counterfeit belief system rooted in idolatry and the veneration of deceased kings. One notable figure in this narrative is Zeus, who was a historical person. A first-century historian named Josephus even mentions King Zeus and points out that, 2,000 years ago, everyone knew that King Zeus was buried on the island of Crete, where anyone could visit his tomb and see it with their own eyes.

Greek Mythology and the Afterlife.

Greek mythology is deeply rooted in idolatry, particularly in the veneration of dead kings and the worship of the deceased. According to the Greek and Roman perspectives, when a person dies, their Spirit leaves the body and goes to either heaven or Hades. If someone had a good spirit, they would be granted access to heaven; if they had an evil spirit, they would descend to Hades, where they would face punishment, often associated with figures like Jupiter wielding a pitchfork.

Comparing Mythology and Prophecy.

This topic is worth exploring further. You can examine how Greek mythology developed, its origins, and how it compares to earlier teachings, such as those from the prophet Isaiah, who lived hundreds of years prior. What we see emerging in Greece and later adopted by Rome seems to be a counterfeit version of the original revelation given by God through Isaiah. His prophecy about the destruction of the wicked predates the formation of Greek mythology by centuries.

The Influence of Mythology on Interpretation.

Suppose you interpret certain verses that suggest Jesus descended into hell through a Greek mythological lens. In that case, you might believe that Jesus went to a place of torment within the Earth to preach the Gospel to people suffering in fire, tormented by the devil. This is a common misconception, and it is deeply rooted in idolatry. Unfortunately, some Christians hold a worldview regarding the destruction of the wicked that lacks a foundation in Scripture.

Consistency of Prophecy.

Let's fast forward to the time of the New Testament, where we see Jesus Christ and the apostles quoting from Old Testament prophecies about the destruction of the wicked.

First, I want to emphasize that God did not change His mind about how He would punish the wicked. He did not state one thing in the Old Testament and then completely altered the doctrine in the New Testament. This is not an "either/or" logical fallacy; we cannot dismiss what God clearly predicted in the Old Testament based on the New Testament.

Prophecy Will Be Fulfilled.

While the New Testament does abolish some things, prophecy is not one of them. Prophecy unfolds exactly as it was foretold. Jesus affirmed this, stating that "the Scripture cannot be broken." Consequently, we cannot claim that the New Testament nullifies a prophecy. These prophecies will be fulfilled, and every jot and tittle will come to pass, as Jesus taught in the Sermon on the Mount.

Interpreting New Testament References to Old Testament Prophecy.

We see New Testament figures, like Jesus and the apostles, citing Old Testament prophecies, such as those found in the Book of Isaiah and the Law of Moses. They mention that "the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever," that "their destruction is eternal," and that "their worm never dies." It is crucial not to cherry-pick from the New Testament but to understand these phrases in light of their original prophetic contexts.

Affirmation of Old Testament Prophecy.

The apostles were not redefining how God would punish the wicked; rather, they were affirming that the prophecies in the Old Testament would indeed come to pass. To understand how this will happen, we must refer back to the original Old Testament texts that state, for example, that the worm never dies and that the smoke of their torment ascends forever, indicating they are tormented day and night.

Eternal Judgment: The Example of Sodom and Gomorrah.

We can look at examples in Peter's and Jude's epistles regarding Sodom and Gomorrah. Sodom and Gomorrah are currently undergoing eternal judgment and eternal fire. While it is true that Sodom and Gomorrah are not actively burning today, the consequences of that fire are eternal; the cities were destroyed and have never been rebuilt. Thus, their destruction signifies eternal destruction.

Defining Terms by Scripture, Not Mythology.

We must define these terms based on how Scripture uses them rather than attempting to align them with Greek mythology. By the end of the first century, the early church comprised predominantly Greeks and Romans, with very few Jews among the Christians. Consequently, as we enter the second century, many of these concepts were shaped by Greek and Roman converts to Christianity, who already held predefined notions of hell and heaven.

Influence of Gentile Worldview on Early Church Fathers.

Therefore, when we examine the writings of the church fathers, we may find Greek and Roman definitions of Christian concepts. However, the mere existence of these definitions does not prove they had the correct understanding; it simply shows how their previous Gentile worldview influenced their interpretation of Christianity after the apostles had died, leaving no one to correct their misguided beliefs.

The Biblical Meaning of "Hell."

If we understand that Jesus descended into hell from a scriptural standpoint, what does that mean? In almost every instance where we find the word "hell" in the Old Testament, it comes from the Hebrew word "Sheol," which refers to the grave. Did Jesus descend into a tomb? Yes, He did—specifically, a rich man's tomb. This is central to the Gospel: Jesus died for our sins, was buried, and rose again on the third day. The fact that Jesus was buried in a rich man's tomb is part of this Gospel message.

So when we teach that Jesus descended into hell, what it means in a scriptural context is that Jesus was placed in the tomb—He was buried according to Scripture. It does not imply anything more or anything less than that.

Preaching to the Spirits in Prison: The Role of the Holy Spirit and Noah.

Now, what about Peter's mention of the antediluvian, the souls who died before the flood, and that they had the Gospel preached to them? Does this support the idea that Jesus descended into a place of fiery torment and preached the Gospel to those who had died in the flood? Absolutely not. If that had happened, consider this: if hell were a place on the Earth, as the Greeks taught, and if Jesus went to Hades and preached the Gospel during His descent into the rich man's tomb, contrary to what many misconceptions suggest, then all of Hades would have been emptied. Who would have rejected Jesus' offer to leave Hades? No one would have turned it down; everyone would have accepted the offer to escape. Nobody would choose to remain in that situation.

Understanding Peter's Statement.

So, what is actually happening in Peter's epistles? The emphasis is not on Jesus but on the Holy Spirit. It is mentioned that it was by the Spirit that these spirits, now in prison, had the Gospel preached to them. Who preached the Gospel to them? It was the Holy Spirit.

How did the Holy Spirit preach the Gospel to the spirits in prison? The Holy Spirit reached out to those who died before the flood through Noah. Noah spent 120 years preparing the ark, and during that time, he preached to people, urging them to enter the boat he was building. Essentially, the Holy Spirit preached to those who perished in the flood through Noah. This interpretation becomes clear when you examine the verse in its context, which emphasizes the role of the Holy Spirit.

Spirits in Prison: The Dead Awaiting Judgment.

When we refer to the spirits in prison, we are speaking of the dead. These individuals will be released from this prison of death at the end of 1,000 years when they are resurrected to face Judgment Day. In the meantime, there are vast multitudes of fallen angels that are reserved for judgment. This world is not overwhelmed by every fallen angel from heaven. While we do experience demon possession, as illustrated in the four Gospels, we can take comfort in the fact that not all fallen angels roam the Earth. Scripture teaches us that the devil's angels are held in reserve for Judgment Day, with most of them confined to a place called the abyss.

The Abyss Defined.

You might recall that when Jesus cast out Legion, the demons asked to be sent into pigs to avoid being sent into the abyss. What is the abyss? According to Romans 10:7, the term "abyss" is defined as death.

The fallen angels pleaded with Jesus not to be cast into the abyss, asking Him instead to send them into a herd of pigs. They understood that many of the angels who had fallen from heaven were already in the abyss, dead and reserved for Judgment Day. These fallen angels are not being tormented in the Lake of Fire yet because that event has not occurred; the Lake of Fire is a future occurrence that will take place on Judgment Day.

The Lake of Fire: A Future Event.

The lake of fire is a place reserved for the "VIPs": the devil, his fallen angels, the beast, the false prophet, and those who receive the mark of the beast. These are the special guests who have reservations for this event. However, the lake of fire has not happened yet; it remains a future event.

Jesus' Descent into Hell: Burial and Resurrection.

Let's bring everything together. When Jesus descended into hell, it meant he was placed in a rich man's tomb, which was sealed with a stone and guarded by Roman soldiers. Now, let's compare the death of Lazarus with the death of Jesus Christ, as this is the point Peter makes in Acts 2: that Jesus' flesh would not see corruption.

Jesus was placed in the tomb on Friday evening and resurrected on Sunday morning. This time frame was not long enough for His flesh to experience corruption. In contrast, Lazarus had been in his tomb for four days, and the Bible describes in John 11 that Lazarus's corpse began to stink—his flesh had seen corruption. Nevertheless, Christ was able to resurrect Lazarus and restore his flesh to perfect health.

The Significance of the Third Day Resurrection.

When we say that Jesus descended into hell, we emphasize that He was placed in the grave but was resurrected not on the fourth day like Lazarus, but on the third day. The only time that elapsed was from Friday evening to Sunday morning, which was not sufficient for His flesh to begin experiencing corruption. The point highlighted by Peter is that Jesus descended into hell and was placed in a rich man's tomb to show that His flesh never saw corruption, and He rose back to life before His flesh could begin to decay.

Corruption and Incorruption.

1 Corinthians 15 discusses the process of corruption. It explains that we need to put off corruption and put on incorruption; we must put off mortality and put on immortality. This flesh and blood are corruptible, which means they eventually perish and return to dust and ashes. They decompose, attracting maggots and bacteria. No matter how deep in the grave a body is buried, the natural process of death causes flesh and blood to deteriorate.

Christ's Body and Corruption.

This corruption process did not begin with the body of Christ due to its short time in the rich man's tomb. However, by the fourth day, when Lazarus was raised from the dead, he had been in his tomb long enough for this process of decay to start. In 1 Corinthians 15, it is stated that all flesh perishes. Our current bodies—this flesh and blood that we inhabit—are corruptible. Scripture teaches us that "flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God." This perishable, corruptible body cannot enter God's city.

Transformation at the Second Coming.

According to 1 Thessalonians 4, at the second coming, the dead in Christ will be raised, and those who are alive and remain until the end will be transformed simultaneously. What is this transformation like, according to 1 Corinthians 15? We will be transformed from corruptible to incorruptible, from mortal to immortal.

Earthly House vs. Heavenly Tabernacle.

What is this transformation like, according to Second Corinthians 5? We put off this earthly house, which describes our current flesh-and-blood bodies. In its place, we put on our heavenly house, our heavenly Tabernacle, which is reserved for us in heaven. According to the Apostle Paul, our heavenly, angelic bodies already exist—it's already a done deal. We have eternal bodies in heaven, but we will not receive these heavenly Tabernacles until the second coming, when the dead in Christ are raised. At that time, we will be transformed from corruptible to incorruptible, from mortal to immortal, moving from an earthly house to a heavenly Tabernacle.

No Intermediate State.

In Second Corinthians 5, the Apostle Paul specifically states twice that there is no naked condition between these two bodies—there is no disembodied spirit in between. When our earthly bodies die and we stop breathing, the Spirit returns to God, who gave that Spirit. The term "spirit" comes from the same root as "pneumatic," referring to air or breath. This ability to breathe was endowed to us when God breathed life into Adam's nostrils. When Adam died, he lost that ability.

Body, Breath, and Life.

In essence, the body plus breath equals life, while the body without breath equals death. Anyone, whether saved or lost, who dies is simply dead. It's a fundamental truth that the body without the Spirit is dead. You can confirm this by asking any doctor; they'll tell you that someone who has stopped breathing is indeed dead. This teaching aligns with biblical Scripture: the body without the Spirit is lifeless.

May God's grace and peace be with you.

In Jesus Christ's name. Amen.

Mr. David Michael Curtis

Was It Jesus or the Holy Spirit Who Preached to the Spirits Who Are Now in Prison?—Part 2

By David Michael Curtis

The document, "Was It Jesus or the Holy Spirit Who Preached to the Spirits Who Are Now in Prison—Part 2" by David Michael Curtis, discusses several key theological points:

- **Resurrections:** It outlines two resurrections, one of life and one of condemnation, separated by a 1,000-year period, as described in Revelation 20.
- **State of the Dead:** It states that from death until Judgment Day, people are dead and do not suffer in a lake of fire. The concept of a devil with horns, a tail, and a pitchfork is described as originating from Greek mythology.
- **Annihilationism:** It discusses the idea that the wicked are ultimately destroyed rather than eternally tormented, and how this concept can evoke strong reactions from some evangelical Christians.
- **Judgment:** It emphasizes that judgment belongs to God and that those who focus on hell, fire, and brimstone may be expressing anger towards God.
- **God vs. Satan:** It contrasts the nature of God, depicted as merciful and just, with the idea of Satan, portrayed as one who would endlessly torment people.
- **Jesus' Teachings:** It argues that Jesus' teachings about punishment and judgment align with the Old Testament and do not equate to Greek mythology. The destruction of the wicked is described as ending in ashes.
- **Eternal Fire:** It clarifies that the concept of "eternal fire" as seen in Sodom and Gomorrah refers to the consequences of their destruction, not ongoing burning.
- **Degrees of Punishment:** It suggests that God will punish everyone justly in the lake of fire, but not everyone will receive the same punishment; there will be different degrees of punishment.
- **Judgment Day:** It depicts Judgment Day as a 24-hour event where the wicked, including the devil and fallen angels, will be consumed by fire, resulting in the "second death."
- **Epochs of Earth's History:** It outlines three significant epochs: Adam to Moses, Moses to Christ, and Christ to the Second Coming.
- **Preaching Before the Flood:** This chapter discusses preaching during the time of Noah and Enoch, refuting the idea that those destroyed in the flood received a second chance after Jesus' death.

- **No Second Chances After Death:** It argues against the idea of second chances after death, stating that one's fate is determined before death.
- **Jesus' Death:** It emphasizes that Jesus was truly dead between his crucifixion and resurrection, and was not preaching to spirits in Hades during that time.
- **Wages of Sin:** It asserts that the wages of sin are death, not eternal fiery punishment, and that Jesus paid for our sins through his death.
- **Satan's Deception:** It claims that the devil deceives people into believing God is vindictive and seeks to torture people eternally.
- **Today is the Day of Salvation:** It encourages readers to choose salvation today, as there are no second chances after death.

Dear friends,

The Two Resurrections.

As distinguished in Revelation 20, there is a resurrection of life and a resurrection of condemnation. These two resurrections occur at opposite ends of a 1,000-year period. The resurrection of the righteous occurs at the beginning of the 1,000 years, while the resurrection of the condemned occurs on Judgment Day at the end of the 1,000 years.

The State of the Dead Before Judgment.

From the moment a person dies until Judgment Day, they are dead; they do not suffer in a lake of fire. The notion of a devil with horns, a tail, and a pitchfork originates from Greek mythology. You may have heard of "fire and brimstone" preachers, and if you are familiar with Reformed churches, you might know of a sermon by Jonathan Edwards that addresses God's anger and Hellfire.

Annihilationism and Reactions.

Today, I want to emphasize that discussing annihilationism—suggesting that the wicked are ultimately destroyed rather than tormented eternally—can provoke strong reactions from many evangelical Christians. Some may deny that individuals like me are not considered Christians if we assert that hell does not exist now or deny that it will torment people forever.

Judgment Belongs to God.

Honestly, this matter is not about me at all. The judgment and condemnation they express are ultimately directed at God himself; this is a matter between them and God. For the

remainder of this message, I want to clarify what is happening among those preachers who focus on hell, fire, and brimstone.

Atheism and Anger Towards a Misunderstood God.

First, it's important to note that many have turned away from Christianity and have become atheists as a result of this teaching. They often do so boldly and rebelliously, claiming they are atheists. However, in reality, they are just angry at God. They reject the idea of a deity who would punish people, often only living for 35 or 40 years, with eternal torment. They refuse to worship a God they view as vindictive, and I can understand their perspective. This portrayal does not reflect the God of Abraham; rather, it resembles the devil.

Contrasting God and Satan Regarding Torment.

Just ask yourself: Between the two choices—Jesus Christ and Satan—who is more likely to torment people in fire for all eternity vindictively? If the devil had the authority and power to do so, would he not seize the opportunity to torture everyone on this planet forever? Would he ever come to a repentant mindset? Would he ever soften his heart and say, "I think they've suffered enough; let's stop"? No, I believe that if the devil had the ability, he would indeed torture people in fire for all eternity. He would never soften his heart, never repent, and never change his mind; his torment would be relentless.

Satan is filled with hatred; he is a murderer from the beginning, just like Cain. If he had the authority and power, he would make the suffering as severe as possible, and it would never end.

Jesus on Punishment and Judgment.

Does that accurately describe Jesus? I argue that it does not. Does Jesus teach about everlasting punishment? Yes, He does. Does he teach that Judgment Day will have people who weep and gnash their teeth? Yes, Jesus does teach that Judgment Day is awful and horrifying. Does he teach that Judgment Day is worse than any judgment given by men? Yes, the worst that men can do is not worthy of comparison to what God will do on Judgment Day to the lost. Jesus teaches that Judgment Day is truly that bad and awful.

Jesus' Teaching Aligns with the Old Testament.

However, does Jesus' teaching about the destruction of the wicked equate to Greek mythology? Are his teachings in harmony with the Greek mythology view of Hades? No, they are not. How do I know this? Because in every instance where Jesus warns about the lake of fire and the destruction of the wicked, He is quoting from the Old Testament.

In every instance, the Old Testament talks about ends in ashes, describing how the saints will tread on the ashes of the wicked. The reference to "their worm never dies" does not mean that people are being tormented in fire for eternity. Instead, it specifically refers to

worms that consume the carcasses that have been destroyed by fire—carcasses that have turned to ashes.

The Wicked Become Ashes.

In other words, these worms travel through the Earth, but the dirt they traverse for all eternity consists of the ashes of the wicked. So, where are the wicked? They are in dust and ashes. Are they being tormented by fire literally forever and ever?

The Example of Sodom and Gomorrah and Eternal Fire.

The question is answered when we study what happened to Sodom and Gomorrah. While they are not burning right now, the Bible teaches that Sodom and Gomorrah are currently suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. It is essential to separate the concepts of Greek mythology from the biblical teachings on the destruction of the wicked. These two topics belong in completely different categories and should not be merged.

Warning Against Blending Idolatry and Christianity.

The Apostle Paul warned us against blending idolatry with Christianity. We must clearly distinguish between idolatry, which involves the worship of the dead, and the beliefs held by the Greeks and Romans regarding spirits after death. This distinction is important to understand what the Bible teaches about death and the punishment of the wicked, such as the lake of fire.

Eternal Punishment Views and Salvation.

Let's address the question of the two views regarding the lake of fire: one that sees it as an event that ends in ashes, and the other that views it as an ongoing punishment for all eternity. The key question is whether our beliefs about this topic are a matter of salvation. If someone believes in the pagan view, will they lose their salvation because of it? No, I'm not suggesting that it's a salvation issue in that sense. However, I want to warn you that a false understanding of the lake of fire can lead to a distorted view of God Himself.

Degrees of Punishment.

The mercy of the Lord endures forever, and God is just. He will punish everyone justly in the lake of fire, but it is important to note that not everyone will receive the same punishment. Jesus warned that those who do many things wrong will receive many stripes, while those who do fewer wrongs will receive fewer stripes.

The false doctrine claims that everyone experiences the same eternal torment. In contrast, the true understanding of the lake of fire differentiates the degrees of punishment. The suffering lasts for one day, and those who receive the most severe punishment will be tormented day and night. For them, their torment will seem endless,

while those who have done fewer wrongs but are still found guilty will receive fewer stripes.

Illustrating Physical Punishment.

Can you imagine being tormented like a martyr burned at the stake? There's a story of a man whose executioners were so incompetent that they couldn't start a fire properly. It kept going out. A man was on a stake, begging for someone to put him out of his misery because he had been burning, and then the fire would go out. Then he would be burning, and then the fire would go out, and his legs would be burned off, and his arms would be burned off. All he had was his core and his body, yet he was still alive. Jesus described something similar when he said to cut off your right hand; it's better to enter heaven with one arm than to enter Hades with both.

Destruction of Physical Bodies.

Destruction is coming, and it will be a physical punishment. People will have bodies with eyes, legs, feet, hands, and arms. And they're gonna be burned up just like this man that was burned up at the stake. And the eyewitnesses of this man's martyrdom testified that he was on that stake for a very long time. But eventually. His life was extinguished. And his body was completely burned up.

Unquenchable Fire and Its Outcome.

On judgment day, different degrees of punishment will be administered. Some executioners were confident yet unsure of how to begin a fire. Some people died quickly, in contrast to others who endured being on the stake for one or two hours, with the fire being extinguished repeatedly. Jesus said that this fire will not be quenched.

When Judgment Day begins, the fire will not be extinguished until it has completed its task. It will leave nothing behind — no roots or branches, just stubble and ashes. The fire on Judgment Day will not be quenched; it will consume all the wicked, including the devil and the fallen angels. Judgment Day will conclude within 24 hours.

God's Justice and Glory.

I want to contrast a troubling idea about God—that He must punish people for all eternity in fire. While it is true that God will be just and will execute judgment on the wicked, we must also highlight His glory. The devil, the fallen angels, and others, such as the beast and the false prophet, will receive just punishments for their wrongdoings on Judgment Day.

Determining the Duration of Punishment.

Those who commit lesser offenses will face lesser punishments; they might be burned in a fire and consumed in just five minutes rather than suffering for an extended period like

the devil, the beast, and the false prophet. The lost will be condemned and thrown alive into the lake of fire. During the thousand years, when the books are opened, the focus will be on determining the duration of their punishment.

The Saints Will Judge Angels.

The Apostle Paul mentions that the Saints will judge the angels, specifically the fallen angels who were cast out of heaven. The Saints will decide how long their punishment will last, but God sets a limit: it cannot exceed one day. It must be less than 24 hours, as the Saints will tread on their ashes on the same day, not the next day.

The Experience of Torment.

So, if you can imagine being a martyr tied to a stake and burned alive? Even if that executioner was competent and the execution lasted for 5 minutes. Can you imagine being burned with fire for 5 minutes? Bing burned with fire for just 5 seconds. Is awful? Being alive while enduring torment for just 5 minutes is unimaginable. Consider those who will suffer for 5 hours, or even 10, 15, or perhaps up to 23 hours. Can you imagine being tormented by fire for as long as 23 hours? What I believe the Scripture describes is that it will seem like forever. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Epochs of Earth's History.

Throughout Earth's history, there have been three significant epochs or periods:

1. From Adam to Moses
2. From Moses to Christ
3. From Christ to the Second Coming of Christ

The First Epoch: Before and After the Flood.

The first epoch, the initial part of Earth's history, is further divided into two segments: before the flood and after the flood, leading up to Moses. The period after the flood includes Abraham and his descendants, who entered Egypt and were later delivered from it, as detailed in the Old Testament.

Before Abraham and the Tower of Babel described in Genesis 11, there was the time before the flood. This era leads to Noah, his three sons, their wives, and the animals entering Noah's ark.

Preaching Before the Flood.

A common interpretation of Jesus' preaching to spirits in prison, referenced in Peter's epistles, suggests that those who were destroyed in the flood received a second chance after Jesus died and descended into Hades. However, upon studying Scripture, one finds that Enoch preached about the second coming even before the flood. Noah is also

described as a preacher of righteousness; throughout the entire time he was preparing the ark, he invited people to come inside once it was completed, before the judgment day, and the door was shut, leading to the world's destruction through a catastrophic flood.

The Lineage of Seth and Preachers.

Thus, the pre-flood period already had its preachers, who were descendants of Seth. After Cain murdered Abel, Adam and Eve had another son, Seth, who is significant in this narrative. According to Josephus, Adam and Eve had over 60 children, but Seth's lineage is crucial as it leads down to Noah, including notable figures like Methuselah and Enoch.

The Prison of Unresponsiveness.

The righteous men mentioned were the preachers who spoke to the spirits in prison. This prison was unresponsive because these spirits had already been preached to and had the opportunity to repent of their sins. They were given a chance to escape the destruction brought about by the flood, but they rejected that invitation.

The Second Epoch: Moses to Christ.

The next age or period in history, from Moses to Christ, saw God making a covenant with Israel while excluding everyone else from that covenant. This covenant involved the sanctuary and required animal sacrifices. Those who performed these sacrifices according to the Law of Moses did so in faith, trusting that God would send His Son as the Lamb of God to atone for our sins.

Inclusion of Gentiles and Abolition of the Law.

Individuals from other nations were allowed to become proselytes and partake in Abraham's covenant through circumcision. However, this arrangement was only temporary. It was permanently resolved when Jesus died on the cross. According to Ephesians 2, Christ's death broke down the barrier between Israel and the Gentiles. Since that time, the Law of Moses has been abolished; it no longer serves as a dividing wall. Now, everyone—whether Jew or Gentile—who believes in the Gospel is saved by faith.

The Third Epoch: Christ to the Second Coming.

This brings us to the third epoch or age of the Earth, which is defined as the period from Christ's death on the cross to His second coming. A question arises about whether Jesus preached to the spirits in prison, specifically to those who lived before the flood. The popular interpretation suggests a misleading idea: the notion of second chances—that even after death, one can change one's mind and accept the Gospel.

The False Hope of Second Chances After Death.

Many people might wish that were true. They would love to live their lives indulging in sin—sexual immorality, drunkenness, partying, and seeking pleasure in this life—only to be offered the Gospel by Christ after death, giving them a second chance to change their minds. However, this scenario assumes a dire situation, where individuals are tormented in hell yet presented with a way out.

No Opportunity After Death.

Unfortunately, reality does not support this idea. According to Jesus' teachings, once you die, it is too late to change your mind. You must be vigilant because you do not know when the Second Coming will occur. When it does, it will be too late to switch sides; thus, you must stay prepared.

The Days of Noah as a Parallel.

Jesus indicated that the second coming would resemble the times of Noah. People were eating, drinking, marrying, and building until the flood came and destroyed them. Similarly, once the second coming takes place, just as it was too late to enter the ark after the flood began, it will be too late to change one's fate.

The Pagan Idea of Jesus Preaching in Hades.

This false teaching claims that Jesus was conscious after He died on the cross and went to a fiery place called Hades, where He preached to the dead. This idea is pagan and undermines the Gospel itself. Jesus truly died on the cross. From the moment of His death at 3:00 PM on Good Friday until His resurrection on Sunday morning, Jesus was dead. While this is a mystery beyond our comprehension, it is vital to understand that Jesus was indeed dead; He was placed in the tomb. The wages of sin are death, and Jesus died for our sins according to Scripture.

Jesus Was Truly Dead.

It is important to realize and believe the Gospel: that Jesus died for our sins. While He was in the grave and descended into Hell, He was dead. He wasn't preaching to anyone; He was dead. The narrative that Jesus was still alive somehow, like a ghost, and that all the people before the flood were also alive as ghosts being tortured in a fiery place, as the Greeks believed about Hades, is not scriptural. It does not align with what the Holy Bible teaches; instead, it reflects the beliefs of the Greeks and Romans in the ancient world.

No Second Chances After Death.

This idea suggests a second opportunity to change one's mind after death, which contradicts Scripture. Once you die, you cannot change your mind; you are reserved until

Judgment Day. You remain in the grave until the resurrection of condemnation, which occurs at the end of the thousand years.

Clarity on the Second Resurrection.

This text is written in plain language so that even a child can read and understand it. There should be no confusion about the timing of the second resurrection of the wicked, which clearly happens at the end of the 1,000 years—it hasn't occurred yet. Paul warned against false teachers who claim that the resurrection has already taken place. The idea that condemned souls leave their bodies and immediately go to hell to be tortured in fire after death contradicts Scripture on many levels, making me wonder where even to start listing these contradictions.

Contradictions with God's Justice and Nature.

For example, this teaching portrays God as unjust. It implies that people who committed minor sins thousands of years ago will be punished for a longer duration than individuals like Hitler or Stalin, who murdered millions simply because they died first. Those who committed lesser offenses end up being tortured longer under this false notion. This contradicts Jesus' teaching that those who commit fewer sins will receive lighter punishment.

This contradicts God's very nature. The Scriptures describe a future Judgment Day, highlighting that God is merciful and long-suffering. He is currently waiting until that day to enact His judgment on the wicked. On Judgment Day, He will demonstrate wrath without mercy, but this day of wrath is limited to just one singular moment—the great day of God Almighty, Judgment Day.

God's Longsuffering and Future Wrath.

At present, God is showing long suffering, even reserving judgment for fallen angels until that day. They are not being punished right now; they are in the abyss, essentially dead. God's wrath will be poured out without any mixture, but it will occur in one day, and then it will be over—the conclusion—ending in the lake of fire—results in the second death. Romans 6:23 clearly teaches that the wages of sin are death.

The Wages of Sin: Death, Not Eternal Torment.

In contrast, an alternate false doctrine claims that the wages of sin are eternal fiery punishment. If the wages of sin were truly eternal punishment, then Jesus would not have paid for our sins. However, if the wages of sin are death, and if Jesus truly died on the cross, then He fully paid for our sins—He satisfied the wages of death.

If death required eternal torture and fire, then Jesus would not have satisfied those wages; He would need to go to a fiery place of torment and remain there forever.

Contradictions Regarding Ghosts and Disembodied Spirits.

Alright, let's outline some contradictions that are irreconcilable with the Bible. If you cling to the idea of eternal fire and the belief in ghosts—entities that exist in a disembodied state after death—that is at odds with scriptural teachings. For instance, the notion that Jesus became a ghost and went to a place where other disembodied spirits exist to preach to them or the belief that saints become ghosts in heaven, waiting for their angelic bodies at the second coming, contradicts what the Bible states. This perspective blends idolatry with Christianity, confusing the clear messages found in Scripture.

Satan's Deception and Distorted View of God.

Friends, the devil is your adversary; he is deceitful and aims to destroy you. He wants you to believe that God is vindictive and seeks to torture people eternally through horrific means like fire. He twists the message, suggesting that Jesus desires to punish the wicked forever. Moreover, the devil may lead you to think that Jesus didn't truly die on the cross but rather continued to exist even during that time and preached in prison to other spirits suffering in Hades or hell.

God's True Character: Love and Longsuffering.

These beliefs obscure your understanding of God. The truth is that God is love; He is long-suffering. Right now, He is not punishing anyone with fire. Judgment is reserved until the day of reckoning, which lasts for just one day, and then it is over. For all eternity, the saints and angels in heaven will understand that God withheld His anger and only expressed it once. His wrath is not ongoing; instead, He exemplifies self-control. He is not prone to fits of rage, nor is He eternally vindictive, holding grudges or torturing people. Such doctrines are fundamentally flawed.

Inconsistency with Jesus' Character.

How can anyone read about Jesus in the Bible, who died for the sins of the world, and believe that He will torture people forever? This doctrine is inconsistent with the character of God and aligns more with what Satan would do if he had the authority of God to punish; he would do so endlessly.

Today is the Day of Salvation.

There are no second chances. Hebrews 3-4 remind us that today is the day of your salvation. As long as you are alive, you have the choice; once you die, it is too late to decide. Your destiny—whether it leads you into the city of God or outside it, facing judgment—is settled at that point. There will be no switching sides. It's going to be like the days of Noah: you are either inside the ark when the flood comes or outside.

No Changing Position at the Second Coming.

You will be either safe inside the city of God or outside of it. No one will be able to change their position. The devil wants you to believe in second chances. He promotes the idea of a pre-tribulation rapture, suggesting that after this secret rapture, those who are lost will have another opportunity to become Christians and be saved. This is a deception.

Refuting the Second Chance Interpretation of Noah's Flood.

Some people misinterpret the story of those who perished in Noah's flood, believing they had a second chance when Jesus died. This is a false doctrine. Today is the day of your salvation. Don't let your past hurts hold you back. Choose today to believe in Jesus, repent of your sins, and get baptized. Bear fruit in your life and demonstrate real change. Please don't wait until you die, thinking you can repent then; it will be too late.

May God's grace and peace be with you.

In Jesus Christ's name. Amen.

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HELL—AN ETERNAL FIRE?

Or an Eternal Punishment Ending in the Second Death?

Today, I will be arguing in favor of annihilationism, that the lake of fire does not exist now, that it is a future event, and that it has a definite end, ending in the wicked being turned into corpses and ashes. Many in Christianity believe the Lake of Fire exists right now as though it were a city down in the core of the earth or something. A main method of shutting down annihilationism is to use bullying and shame, pointing out its association with Seventh-Day Adventists. This is why I believe the devil tucked some truth inside the SDA church and in nowhere else. By the way, this is called the Association Fallacy.

Association Fallacy

The **association fallacy**, also known as **guilt by association**, is a **logical fallacy** that occurs when someone asserts that the properties of one thing must also apply to another simply because both things belong to the same group.

Almost everyone that leaves the SDA church throws the baby out with the bath water on this one and adopts the pagan views on both Hell and Death. Sadly, many become Calvinists. Why? Because they have no idea how to do Bible study and are afraid of keeping anything associated with the SDA church. They want to find a new church and to fit in. Baptist ministers can be ferocious lions against annihilationism, denouncing its adherents and questioning whether they are even Christian if they deny hell exists now and is torturing the wicked right now. Declaring these are fundamental beliefs of the orthodox Christian faith.

I affirm several doctrines today that I believed as an SDA:

- the state of the dead, a sleep
- the Lake of Fire ending in ashes,
- the Millennium,
- the second coming of Christ, and
- Michael the Archangel.

All of these beliefs are unpopular among the rest of Christianity, which should convey to you that what I believe today is not about choosing what is popular. Rather, it is based on serious Bible study and upon my conscience being held captive to the word of God. y continuing to believe these things, I do not fit in with any denominational church. I am literally the red-headed stepchild that no one wants.

All right, so now let's discuss the reason why I wrote this introduction. If you are an SDA, why should you read today's letter? You already believe in annihilationism. Well, it's because you are about to learn something new. You may have heard SDA evangelists preach annihilationism for 50+ years. But today, I am going to argue HOW LONG it lasts, that it will not exceed 24 hours. The Bible is actually quite clear about this, so I do not know how the SDA church has missed it for the past 179 years

Cherry Picking Fallacy, the Fallacy of Incomplete Evidence.

The [Cherry Picking Fallacy](#), also known as the [fallacy of incomplete evidence](#), occurs when someone selectively presents individual cases or data that seem to confirm a particular position while [ignoring](#) a significant portion of related and similar cases or data that may [contradict](#) that position. Below is an example of the [Cherry Picking Fallacy](#),

The Doctrine of ‘Eternal Hell Fire’ is Based on Incomplete Evidence.

Here are all the verses in this chapter.

Genesis 1:5,8,13,19,23,31; Numbers 11:2; Deuteronomy 32:22; 1 Samuel 1:22; 2 Samuel 19:4; 2 Kings 22:17; 2 Chronicles 34:25; Job 21:30; Psalm 9:17; Proverbs 16:4; Isaiah 34:10; 43:17; 47:12-15; 66:24; Jeremiah 7:20; 17:27; Ezekiel 20:47-48; Zephaniah 1:14; Malachi 4:1,3; Matthew 5:22; 10:28; 25:46; 26:6-13; Mark 9:42-48; 14:3-13; Luke 7:36-50; 10:38-42; 12:46-48; 16:23,31; John 5:29; 11:1,9; 12:1-11; Romans 2:5; 9:22; 1 Peter 2:8; 2 Peter 2:4,6,9; 3:7,9-11; Jude 6-7; Revelation 6:17; 14:10-11; 16:14; 20:5,10-11,13-15

Here are all the verses used by those who teach ‘Eternal Hell Fire’

Matthew 5:22; 10:28; 25:46; 26:6-13; Mark 9:42-48; 14:3-13; Luke 7:36-50; 10:38-42; 12:46-48; 16:23,31; John 5:29; 11:1,9; 12:1-11; Revelation 14:10-11; 16:14; 20:5,10-11,13-15

Those who teach ‘Eternal Hell Fire’ do indeed have Jesus’ own words: “everlasting punishment,” the “fire that will not be quenched,” the “worm never dies,” and John describing an event that lasts “day and night forever and ever.”

In this chapter, we will demonstrate that in every verse used by those who teach ‘Eternal Hell Fire,’ **Jesus and the apostle John are quoting the Old Testament, and in each case, this results in the wicked being turned into ashes and corpses.**

- It will be demonstrated that Jesus Himself gives examples of the fiery punishment of the wicked, warning that it ends with **the wicked being made corpses**.
- The lake of fire event in Revelation 20 is described as **the second death**.
- The apostle Paul said **the wages of sin is death**. Jesus died, paying for the wages of sin.

Let's rip the band-aid off quickly! The pagan understanding that hell is a place of fiery torment that now exists and will always exist for unending billions of years originated with the Greeks and Romans. Isaiah was given detailed visions of the lake of fire. The devil had over two centuries to develop a counterfeit and introduce it to the world through the Greek philosopher Plato. From our perspective, that was 2500 years ago. But let's not forget the prophecies about the destruction of the wicked ending in corpses and ashes, revealed in Isaiah, are centuries older.

- Hell is the grave.
- Hell and death are cast into the lake of fire, which is the second death.

So long as you are viewing these things through pagan worldviews, you won't be able to see what is really being described. 'Eternal Hell Fire' is a doctrine of devils based on incomplete evidence. In the next chapter, we will prove it.

Behold, They Shall Be:

Isaiah 47:12-15 Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail. Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the astrologers, the stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save thee from *these things* that shall come upon thee. **Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame: there shall not be a coal to warm at, nor fire to sit before it.** Thus shall they be unto thee with whom thou hast laboured, *even* thy merchants, from thy youth: they shall wander every one to his quarter; none shall save thee.

Behold, They Shall Be:

- *As stubble*
- *The fire shall burn them*
- *They shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame*
- *There shall not be a coal to warm at*
- *Nor fire to sit before it*

THE DAY COMETH, That Shall Burn As An Oven:

Malachi 4:1 ¶ For, behold, **THE DAY COMETH**, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and **all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up**, saith the LORD of hosts, **that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.**

THE DAY COMETH, That Shall Burn As An Oven:

- *All that do wickedly, shall be stubble*
- *The day that cometh shall burn them up*

- *It shall leave them neither root nor branch*

IN THE DAY That I Shall Do This:

Malachi 4:3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet **IN THE DAY** that I shall do *this*, saith the LORD of hosts.

IN THE DAY That I Shall Do This:

- *Ye shall tread down the wicked*
- ***They shall be ashes under the soles of your feet***

The Wicked Shall Be:

Matthew 5:22 But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, **shall be in danger of hell fire.**

Psalms 9:17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, *and* all the nations that forget God.

The Wicked Shall Be:

- *Shall be in danger of hell fire*
- *Turned into Hell*

The Angels that Sinned:

2 Peter 2:4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but **cast *them* down to hell**, and **delivered them into chains of darkness**, **to be reserved unto judgment;**

The Angels that Sinned:

- *Have been cast down to Hell*
- *Delivered into chains of darkness*
- *Are reserved unto Judgment*

Death and Hell were:

Revelation 20:13-15 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. **And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.** And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Death and Hell were:

- *Cast into the lake of fire*
- *This is the second Death*

Note: The word "Hell," in The Old Testament in mos cases is from the Hebrew word "Sheol", which translated means "the grave." So it is, that Death and Hell (the grave) were cast into the lake of fire, and this is the second Death.

Hell Fire Will:

Deuteronomy 32:22 For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the **lowest hell**, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.

Hell Fire Will:

- *Burn unto the lowest Hell*
- *Consume the earth*
- *Set on fire the foundations of the mountains*

The Wicked Have:

Mark 9:42-48 And whosoever shall offend one of *these* little ones that believe in me, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea. And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than **having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched**: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than **having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched**: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than **having two eyes to be cast into hell fire**: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

The Wicked Have:

- *Two hands to go into Hell*
- *Two feet to be cast into Hell*

- *Two eyes to be cast into Hell fire*

The First & Second Resurrections:

Revelation 20:5 But The rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. this is the first resurrection.

John 5:29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life (first resurrection); and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation (second resurrection).

The First & Second Resurrections:

- *The Saints partake of the First Resurrection which occurs at the beginning of the 1000 years.*
- *The wicked partake of the Second Resurrection which occurs at the end of the 1000 years, to face the Judgment, the Lake of Fire and the Second Death.*

Hell Fire Shall Not Be Quenched

Numbers 11:2 And the people cried unto Moses; and when Moses prayed unto the LORD, **the fire was quenched.**

2 Kings 22:17 Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; **therefore my wrath shall be kindled against this place, and shall not be quenched.**

2 Chronicles 34:25 Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; **therefore my wrath shall be poured out upon this place, and shall not be quenched.**

Isaiah 34:10 *It shall not be quenched night nor day; the smoke thereof shall go up for ever:* from generation to generation it shall lie waste; none shall pass through it for ever and ever.

Note: *The definition of "quench", To extinguish; to put out; as, to quench flame.*

That Which is not Quenched Night nor Day:

Isaiah 43:17 Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; they shall lie down together, **THEY SHALL NOT RISE: THEY ARE EXTINCT, they are quenched as tow.**

Jeremiah 7:20 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, mine anger and my fury shall be poured out upon this place, upon man, and upon beast, and upon the trees of the field, and upon the fruit of the ground; and **it shall burn, and shall not be quenched.**

That Which is not Quenched Night nor Day:

- *"shall lie waste"*
- *none shall pass through it for ever and ever*

Jerusalem Suffered Fire that was not Quenched:

Jeremiah 17:27 But if ye will not hearken unto me to hallow the sabbath day, and not to bear a burden, even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem on the sabbath day; then will I kindle a fire in the gates thereof, and **it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched.**

Note: *Jerusalem is not burning today!*

Israel Suffered Fire that was not Quenched:

Ezekiel 20:47-48 And say to the forest of the south, Hear the word of the LORD; Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall devour every green tree in thee, and every dry tree: the flaming flame shall not be quenched, and all faces from the south to the north shall be burned therein. **And all flesh shall see that I the LORD have kindled it: it shall not be quenched.**

Where their Worm Dieth not:

Isaiah 66:24 And they shall go forth, and look upon **THE CARCASSES OF THE MEN** that have transgressed against me: **for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched;** and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.

Concerning Hell Fire Which Is Not Quenched:

- *They look upon the carcasses (dead bodies)*
- *Their worm shall not die—the worms feasting on the carcasses of the wicked have eternal life*

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Tormented Day and Night Forever and Ever

Revelation 14:10-11 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: And **the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever**: and **THEY HAVE NO REST DAY NOR NIGHT**, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

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There shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth, (it will be awful, more dreadful than any death in history, except for the death of Jesus Christ on the Cross), there shall be no rest from the punishment in the lake of fire for an entire day, and an entire night.

Are There Not Twelve Hours In The Day?

John 11:9 Jesus answered, ***ARE THERE NOT TWELVE HOURS IN THE DAY?*** If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world.

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- **Genesis 1:5** the evening and the morning were the first day.
- **Genesis 1:8** And the evening and the morning were the second day.
- **Genesis 1:13** And the evening and the morning were the third day.
- **Genesis 1:19** And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.
- **Genesis 1:23** And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.
- **Genesis 1:31** ¶ And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Behold, THE DAY Cometh:

Malachi 4:1 ¶ For, behold, **THE DAY cometh**, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and **THE DAY** that **cometh** shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that ***it shall leave them neither root nor branch.***

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In THE DAY That I Shall Do This:

Malachi 4:3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for **they shall be ashes** under the soles of your feet **IN THE DAY** that I shall do ***this***, saith the LORD of hosts.

The GREAT DAY of the LORD

Zephaniah 1:14 **THE GREAT DAY OF THE LORD** is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of **THE DAY OF THE LORD**: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

Revelation 6:17 For **THE GREAT DAY** of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

Revelation 16:14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, *which* go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of **THAT GREAT DAY** of God Almighty.

DAY of wrath.

Romans 2:5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against **THE DAY of wrath** and revelation of the Righteous Judgment of God;

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DAY of Judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

2 Peter 3:7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against **THE DAY of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.**

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Romans 9:22 What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction:

1 Peter 2:8 And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: **whereunto also they were appointed**

Judgment of the great DAY.

Jude 6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness **unto the judgment of THE GREAT DAY.**

Proverbs 16:4 ¶ The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, **even the wicked for THE DAY of evil.**

2 Peter 2:9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to **reserve the unjust unto THE DAY of judgment to be punished:**

Tormented DAY And NIGHT For Ever And Ever

1 Samuel 1:22 But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, I will not go up until the child be weaned, and then I will bring him, that he may appear before the LORD, **AND THERE ABIDE FOR EVER.**

Note: Hundreds of examples could be cited in which something is said to last for ever, which time has ended. The ordinances in Leviticus for example. Here Samuel is promised to dwell at The Tabernacle in Shiloh for ever. Samuel is no longer at Shiloh. **For ever, Biblically is defined as long as he lives.** God lives for ever, in the sense that he has always existed and always will exist. The Christian has Eternal Life in Christ. In the case of the wicked, and their destruction in the Lake of Fire, it lasts for ever, which is, as long as he lives, until they experience the second and final Death.

Many Stripes & Few Stripes

Luke 12:46-48 The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for *him*, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, **SHALL BE BEATEN WITH MANY STRIPES**. But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, **SHALL BE BEATEN WITH FEW STRIPES**. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

Note: The time duration of the Lake of Fire is a DAY and NIGHT, for in the same DAY the Saints will look upon the corpses of the wicked and tread upon their ashes. They will be stubble. What Jesus is teaching us, in Luke 12:46-48, is that the wicked receive different degrees of punishment. For some it may only last a few moments, for others, such as Satan, the Beast, the False Prophet, those who Receive the Mark of the Beast, and the Fallen Angels, they will be tormented the full Day and Night in the Lake of Fire. The fire will not be quenched, there smoke ascends forever, and afterward experiencing the second Death, their worms that Church the earth where their corpses lay, will never die.

The Smoke Thereof Shall Go Up For Ever:

Isaiah 34:10 It shall not be quenched NIGHT nor DAY; the smoke thereof shall go up for ever: from generation to generation IT SHALL LIE WASTE; none shall pass through it for ever and ever.

The Smoke Thereof Shall Go Up For Ever:

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Are Souls in the Lake Of Fire Immortal?

And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is ABLE TO DESTROY BOTH SOUL AND BODY IN HELL. (Matthew 10:28)

The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus

Luke 16:23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

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There was no Place Found for Them

And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and Brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, **from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and THERE WAS FOUND NO PLACE FOR THEM.** (Revelation 20:10-11)

VERSE 10: The day is coming, in which **THE WHOLE EARTH WILL BLAZE WITH FIRE,** for the sole purpose of destroying Satan, the Beast, the False Prophet, those who Receive the Mark of the Beast, as well as all the Fallen Angels, and all those who have had their names blotted out of the Book of Life.

VERSE 11: Immediately following the earth being covered by a Lake of Fire (verse 10), the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. Search the whole universe for the wicked—there was found no place for them. Look to the depths down to the core of the new earth to find them—there was found no place for them. Can you Discover even one atom left of Satan and the slain wicked? - there was found no place for them. The Lake of Fire is not moved to another place—there was found no place for them.

The Second Death

- *Never Again—Shall They Live.*
- *Their Monuments All Gone, All Destroyed In The Lake Of Fire.*
- *The Lost Slain Are Forever Forgotten.*
- *Satan is Forever Destroyed.*
- *The Wicked Are No More.*
- *This Is The Second Death*

The Heart of God

2 Samuel 19:4 But the king covered his face, and the king cried with a loud voice, O my son Absalom, O Absalom, my son, my son!

2 Peter 3:9-11 ¶ The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. But **THE DAY OF THE LORD** will come as a thief in the night; in the which **THE HEAVENS SHALL PASS AWAY** with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein **SHALL BE BURNED UP**. ¶ Seeing then that **ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE DISSOLVED**, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness.

Hell—Q & A

1. THE PLACE OF DISEMBODIED SPIRITS?

Acts 2:31 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in Hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

- Hell is the grave. Hell & “the Lake of Fire” are not the same thing.
- Christ’s body was not left in the grave

Which Christ visited?

Luke 23:43 And Jesus said unto him, *Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise.*

- Paradise is heaven (**2 Corinthians** 12:4; **Revelation** 2:7)
- On Sunday morning, Jesus said He had not yet been to heaven

John 20:17 Jesus saith unto her, *Touch me not; for I AM NOT YET ASCENDED TO MY FATHER: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.*

- On the day Jesus died, on the day that Jesus hung naked on the Cross, when all men mocked Jesus, Christ promised the thief that he would be in Paradise with Him.

He went and preached unto the spirits in prison?

Christ was preached to the antediluvian world by the Spirit, **IN THE DAYS of Noah**, through the preaching of Noah, while the ark was being prepared:

1 Peter 3:18-19 ¶ For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but **quickened by the Spirit: By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison**; Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited **IN THE DAYS of Noah, while the ark was a preparing**, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

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2. THE PLACE OF FUTURE PUNISHMENT.

Destruction from the presence of God.

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Job 34:11 For the work of a man shall he render unto him, and cause every man to find according to his ways.

Proverbs 24:12 If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider it? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth not he know it? and shall not he render to every man according to his works?

Jeremiah 32:19 Great in counsel, and mighty in work: for thine eyes are open upon all the ways of the sons of men: to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings:

Ezekiel 7:27 The king shall mourn, and the prince shall be clothed with desolation, and the hands of the people of the land shall be troubled: I will do unto them after their way, and according to their deserts will I judge them; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

Ezekiel 18:30 Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord GOD. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.

Ezekiel 33:20 Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. O ye house of Israel, I will judge you every one after his ways.

Matthew 16:27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

Romans 2:6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds:

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1 Corinthians 4:5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

Galatians 6:7-8 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

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Colossians 3:24-25 Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ. But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

Revelation 2:23 And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

Revelation 20:12-13 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

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With God, There Is No Respect Of Persons

Deuteronomy 10:17 For the LORD your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward:

2 Chronicles 19:7 Wherefore now let the fear of the LORD be upon you; take heed and do it: for there is no iniquity with the LORD our God, nor respect of persons, nor taking of gifts.

Job 34:19 How much less to him that accepteth not the persons of princes, nor regardeth the rich more than the poor? for they all are the work of his hands.

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Matthew 22:16 And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men.

Acts 10:34-35 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.

Romans 2:10-11 But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: For there is no respect of persons with God.

Galatians 2:6 But of these who seemed to be somewhat, (whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me: God accepteth no man's person:) for they who seemed to be somewhat in conference added nothing to me:

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Titles and Names of the Wicked

Adversaries of the Lord.

1 Samuel 2:10 The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall Judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed.

Children of Belial.

Deuteronomy 13:13 Certain men, the children of Belial, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known;

2 Chronicles 13:7 And there are gathered unto him vain men, the children of Belial, and have strengthened themselves against Rehoboam the son of Solomon, when Rehoboam was young and tenderhearted, and could not withstand them.

Children of the devil.

Acts 13:10 And said, O full of all subtilty and all mischief, thou child of the devil, thou enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord?

1 John 3:10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

Children of the wicked one.

Matthew 13:38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one;

Children of Hell.

Matthew 23:15 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.

Children of base men.

Job 30:8 They were children of fools, yea, children of base men: they were viler than the earth.

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Children of strangers.

Isaiah 2:6 Therefore thou hast forsaken thy people the house of Jacob, because they be replenished from the east, and are soothsayers like the Philistines, and they please themselves in the children of strangers.

Children of transgression.

Isaiah 57:4 Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, and draw out the tongue? are ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood,

Children of disobedience.

Ephesians 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

Colossians 3:6 For which things' sake the Wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

Children in whom is no Faith.

Deuteronomy 32:20 And he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what their end shall be: for they are a very froward generation, children in whom is no Faith.

Children of the flesh.

Romans 9:8 That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.

Children of iniquity.

Hosea 10:9 O Israel, thou hast Sinned from the days of Gibeah: there they stood: the battle in Gibeah against the children of iniquity did not overtake them.

Children that will not hear The Law of the Lord.

Isaiah 30:9 That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear The Law of the LORD:

Children of pride.

Job 41:34 He beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride.

Children of this world.

Luke 16:8 And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light.

Children of wickedness.

2 Samuel 7:10 Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime,

Children of wrath.

Ephesians 2:3 Among whom also we all had our Conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

Children that are corrupters.

Isaiah 1:4 Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto Anger, they are gone away backward.

Cursed children.

2 Peter 2:14 Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from Sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with Covetous practices; cursed children:

Enemies of God.

Psalms 37:20 But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD shall be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away.

James 4:4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

Enemies of the cross of Christ.

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Evil doers.

Psalm 37:1 Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.

1 Peter 2:14 Or unto Governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.

Evil men.

Proverbs 4:14 Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men.

2 Timothy 3:13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

Evil generation.

Deuteronomy 1:35 Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see that good land, which I swear to give unto your Fathers,

Evil and adulterous generation.

Matthew 12:39 But he answered and said unto them, **An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:**

Fools.

Proverbs 1:7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Romans 1:22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

Froward generation.

Deuteronomy 32:20 And he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what their end shall be: for they are a very froward generation, children in whom is no Faith.

Generation of vipers.

Matthew 3:7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

Matthew 12:34 O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

Grievous revolters.

Jeremiah 6:28 They are all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: they are brass and iron; they are all corrupters.

Haters of God.

Psalms 81:15 The haters of the LORD should have submitted themselves unto him: but their time should have endured for ever.

Romans 1:30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

Impudent children.

Ezekiel 2:4 For they are impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD.

Inventors of evil things.

Romans 1:30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

Lying children.

Isaiah 30:9 That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear The Law of the LORD:

Men of the world.

Psalms 17:14 From men which are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, which have their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure: they are full of children, and leave the rest of their substance to their babes.

People loaded with iniquity.

Isaiah 1:4 Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto Anger, they are gone away backward.

Perverse and crooked generation.

Deuteronomy 32:5 They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of his children: they are a perverse and crooked generation.

Matthew 17:17 Then Jesus answered and said, *O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me.*

Philippians 2:15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

Rebellious children.

Isaiah 30:1 Woe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add Sin to Sin:

Rebellious people.

Isaiah 30:9 That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear The Law of the LORD:

Isaiah 65:2 I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way that was not good, after their own thoughts;

Rebellious house.

Ezekiel 2:5 And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear, (for they are a rebellious house,) yet shall know that there hath been a prophet among them.

Ezekiel 12:2 Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which have eyes to see, and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear not: for they are a rebellious house.

Reprobates.

2 Corinthians 13:5-7 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the Faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates? But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates. Now I pray to God

that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates.

Scornful, The.

Psalms 1:1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

Seed of falsehood.

Isaiah 57:4 Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, and draw out the tongue? are ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood,

Seed of the wicked.

Psalms 37:28 For the LORD loveth Judgment, and forsaketh not his Saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

Seed of evil doers.

Isaiah 1:4 Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto Anger, they are gone away backward.

Isaiah 14:20 Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast destroyed thy land, and slain thy people: the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned.

Serpents.

Matthew 23:33 Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

Servants of corruption.

2 Peter 2:19 While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.

Servants of Sin.

John 8:34 Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.

Romans 6:20 For when ye were the servants of Sin, ye were free from righteousness.

Sinful generation.

Mark 8:28 And they answered, John The Baptist: but some say, Elias; and others, One of the Prophets.

Sinners.

Psalms 26:9 Gather not my soul with sinners, nor my life with bloody men:

Proverbs 1:10 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

Sons of Belial.

1 Samuel 2:12 Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial; they knew not the LORD.

1 Kings 21:10 And set two men, sons of Belial, before him, to bear Witness against him, saying, Thou didst blaspheme God and the king. And then carry him out, and stone him, that he may die.

Sottish children.

Jeremiah 4:22 For my people is foolish, they have not known me; they are sottish children, and they have none understanding: they are wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.

Strange children.

Psalms 144:7 Send thine hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of strange children;

Stubborn and rebellious generation.

Psalms 78:8 And might not be as their Fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.

Transgressors.

Psalms 37:38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off.

Psalms 51:13 Then will I Teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

Ungodly, The.

Psalm 1:1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

Ungodly men.

Jude 4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Unprofitable servants.

Matthew 25:30 And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Untoward generation.

Acts 2:40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

Vessels of wrath.

Romans 9:22 What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction:

Wicked of the earth.

Psalm 75:8 For in the hand of the LORD there is a cup, and the wine is red; it is full of mixture; and he poureth out of the same: but the Dregs thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall wring them out, and drink them.

Wicked transgressors.

Psalm 59:5 Thou therefore, O LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to visit all the heathen: be not merciful to any wicked transgressors. Selah.

Wicked servants.

Matthew 25:26 His lord answered and said unto him, *Thou* wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

Wicked generation.

Matthew 12:45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.

Matthew 16:4 A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

Wicked-ones.

Jeremiah 2:33 Why trimmest thou thy way to seek love? therefore hast thou also taught the wicked ones thy ways.

Wicked-doers.

Psalms 101:8 I will early destroy all the wicked of the land; that I may cut off all wicked doers from the city of the LORD.

Proverbs 17:4 A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; and a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue.

Workers of iniquity.

Psalms 28:3 Draw me not Away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity, which speak peace to their neighbours, but mischief is in their hearts.

Psalms 36:12 There are the workers of iniquity fallen: they are cast down, and shall not be able to rise.

Character of the Wicked

Abominable.

Revelation 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and Idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and Brimstone: which is the second Death.

Alienated from God.

Ephesians 4:18 Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Colossians 1:21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

Blasphemous.

Luke 22:65 And many other things blasphemously spake they against him.

Revelation 16:9 And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they Repented Not to give him glory.

Blinded.

2 Corinthians 4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the Light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

Ephesians 4:18 Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Boastful.

Psalms 10:3 For the wicked boasteth of his heart's desire, and blesseth the Covetous, whom the LORD abhorreth.

Psalms 49:6 They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;

Conspiring against God's people.

Nehemiah 4:8 And conspired all of them together to come and to fight against Jerusalem, and to hinder it.

Nehemiah 6:2 That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in some one of the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief.

Psalms 38:12 They also that seek after my life lay snares for me: and they that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long.

Covetous.

Micah 2:2 And they Covet fields, and take them by violence; and houses, and take them away: so they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.

Romans 1:29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, Fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

Deceitful.

Psalms 5:6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will Abhor the bloody and deceitful man.

Romans 3:13 Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their Tongues they have used deceit; the poison of Asps is under their lips:

Delighting in the iniquity of others.

Proverbs 2:14 Who rejoice to do evil, and delight in the frowardness of the wicked;

Romans 1:32 Who knowing the Judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of Death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

Despising the works of the Faithful.

Nehemiah 2:19 But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the Servant, the Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian, heard it, they laughed us to scorn, and despised us, and said, What is this thing that ye do? will ye rebel against the king?

Nehemiah 4:2 And he spake before his Brethren and the army of Samaria, and said, What do these feeble Jews? will they fortify themselves? will they sacrifice? will they make an end in a day? will they revive the stones out of the heaps of the rubbish which are burned?

2 Timothy 3:3-4 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

Destructive.

Isaiah 59:7 Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction are in their paths.

Disobedient.

Nehemiah 9:26 Nevertheless they were disobedient, and rebelled against thee, and cast thy law behind their backs, and slew thy Prophets which testified against them to turn them to thee, and they wrought great provocations.

Titus 3:3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving Divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.

1 Peter 2:7 Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,

Enticing to evil.

Proverbs 1:10-14 ¶ My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause: Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit: We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil: Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:

2 Timothy 3:6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly Women laden with Sins, led Away with Divers lusts,

Envious.

Nehemiah 2:10 When Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the Servant, the Ammonite, heard of it, it grieved them exceedingly that there was come a man to seek the welfare of the children of Israel.

Titus 3:3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving Divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.

Fearful.

Proverbs 28:1 The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the Righteous are bold as a lion.

Revelation 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Fierce.

Proverbs 16:29 A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good.

2 Timothy 3:3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

Foolish.

Deuteronomy 32:6 Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? is not he thy Father that hath bought thee? hath he not made thee, and established thee?

Psalms 5:5 The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.

Forgetting God.

Job 8:13 So are the paths of all that forget God; and the hypocrite's hope shall perish:

Fraudulent.

Psalms 37:21 The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth.

Micah 6:11 Shall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

Froward.

Proverbs 21:8 The way of man is froward and strange: but as for the pure, his work is right.

Isaiah 57:17 For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me, and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart.

Glorying in their shame.

Philippians 3:19 Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)

Hard-hearted.

Ezekiel 3:7 But the house of Israel will not hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto me: for all the house of Israel are impudent and hardhearted.

Hating the Light.

Job 24:13 They are of those that rebel against the Light; they know not the ways thereof, nor abide in the paths thereof.

John 3:20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the Light, neither cometh to the Light, lest his deeds should be reproved.

Heady and high-minded.

2 Timothy 3:4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

Hostile to God.

Romans 8:7 Because the Carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to The Law of God, neither indeed can be.

Colossians 1:21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

Hypocritical.

Isaiah 29:13 Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men:

2 Timothy 3:5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

Ignorant of God.

Hosea 4:1 Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land.

2 Thessalonians 1:8 In flaming fire taking Vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Impudent.

Ezekiel 2:4 For they are impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD.

Incontinent.

2 Timothy 3:3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

Infidel.

Psalms 10:4 The wicked, through the pride of his Countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.

Psalms 14:1 The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.

Loathsome.

Proverbs 13:5 A Righteous man hateth lying: but a wicked man is loathsome, and cometh to shame.

Lovers of pleasure more than of God.

2 Timothy 3:4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

Lying.

Psalms 58:3 The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as they be born, speaking lies.

Psalms 62:4 They only consult to cast him down from his excellency: they delight in lies: they bless with their mouth, but they curse inwardly. Selah.

Isaiah 59:4 None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.

Mischievous.

Proverbs 24:8 He that deviseth to do evil shall be called a mischievous person.

Micah 7:3 That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the Judge asketh for a reward; and the great man, he uttereth his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.

Murderous.

Psalm 10:8 He sitteth in the lurking places of the villages: in the secret places doth he murder the innocent: his eyes are privily set against the poor.

Psalm 94:6 They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the Fatherless.

Romans 1:29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, Fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

Prayerless.

Job 21:15 What is the Almighty, that we should serve him? and what profit should we have, if we pray unto him?

Psalm 53:4 Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people as they eat bread: they have not called upon God.

Persecuting.

Psalm 69:26 For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten; and they talk to the grief of those whom thou hast wounded.

Psalm 109:16 Because that he remembered not to shew mercy, but persecuted the poor and needy man, that he might even slay the broken in heart.

Perverse.

Deuteronomy 32:5 They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of his children: they are a perverse and crooked generation.

Proud.

Psalm 59:12 For the Sin of their mouth and the words of their lips let them even be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying which they speak.

Obadiah 3 The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground?

2 Timothy 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, Covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

Rejoicing in the Affliction of Saints.

Psalm 35:15 But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: yea, the Abjects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew it not; they did tear me, and ceased not:

Reprobate.

2 Corinthians 13:5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the Faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

2 Timothy 3:8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the Faith.

Titus 1:16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

Selfish.

2 Timothy 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, Covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

Sensual.

Philippians 3:19 Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)

Jude 19 These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.

Sold under Sin.

1 Kings 21:20 And Ahab said to Elijah, Hast thou found me, O mine enemy? And he answered, I have found thee: because thou hast sold thyself to work evil in the sight of the LORD.

2 Kings 17:17 And they caused their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire, and used divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to Anger.

Stiff-hearted.

Ezekiel 2:4 For they are impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD.

Stiff-necked.

Exodus 33:5 For the LORD had said unto Moses, Say unto the children of Israel, Ye are a stiffnecked people: I will come up into the midst of thee in a moment, and consume thee: therefore now put off thy ornaments from thee, that I may know what to do unto thee.

Acts 7:51 Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your Fathers did, so do ye.

Uncircumcised in heart.

Jeremiah 9:26 Egypt, and Judah, and Edom, and the children of Ammon, and Moab, and all that are in the utmost corners, that dwell in the wilderness: for all these nations are uncircumcised, and all the house of Israel are uncircumcised in the heart.

Acts 7:51 Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your Fathers did, so do ye.

Unjust.

Proverbs 11:7 When a wicked man dieth, his expectation shall perish: and the hope of unjust men perisheth.

Isaiah 26:10 Let favour be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD.

Unmerciful.

Romans 1:31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:

Ungodly.

Proverbs 16:27 An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire.

Unholy.

2 Timothy 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, Covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

Unprofitable.

Matthew 25:30 And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Romans 3:12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Unruly.

Titus 1:10 For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision:

Unthankful.

Luke 6:35 But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.

2 Timothy 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, Covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

Untoward.

Acts 2:40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

Unwise.

Deuteronomy 32:6 Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? is not he thy Father that hath bought thee? hath he not made thee, and established thee?

The Happiness of the Wicked

Is limited to this life.

Psalm 17:14 From men which are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, which have their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure: they are full of children, and leave the rest of their substance to their babes.

Luke 16:25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.

Is short.

Job 20:5 That the triumphing of the wicked is short, and the joy of the hypocrite but for a moment?

Is uncertain.

Luke 12:20 But God said unto him, *Thou* fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?

James 4:13-14 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

Is vain.

Ecclesiastes 2:1 I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also is vanity.

Ecclesiastes 7:6 For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of the fool: this also is vanity.

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Their wealth.

Job 21:13 They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment go down to the grave.

Psalm 52:7 Lo, this is the man that made not God his strength; but trusted in the Abundance of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.

Their power.

Job 21:7 Wherefore do the wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in power?

Psalm 37:35 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.

Their worldly prosperity.

Psalm 17:14 From men which are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, which have their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure: they are full of children, and leave the rest of their substance to their babes.

Psalm 73:3-4 For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. For there are no bands in their Death: but their strength is firm.

Psalm 73:7 Their eyes stand out with fatness: they have more than heart could wish.

Popular applause.

Acts 12:22 And the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a god, and not of a man.

Gluttony.

Isaiah 22:13 And behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: let us eat and drink; for to morrow we shall die.

Habakkuk 1:16 Therefore they sacrifice unto their net, and burn incense unto their drag; because by them their portion is fat, and their meat plenteous.

Drunkenness.

Isaiah 5:11 Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame them!

Isaiah 56:12 Come ye, say they, I will fetch wine, and we will fill ourselves with strong drink; and to morrow shall be as this day, and much more abundant.

Vain pleasure.

Job 21:12 They take the timbrel and Harp, and rejoice at the sound of the organ.

Isaiah 5:12 And the Harp, and the viol, the tabret, and pipe, and wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the LORD, neither consider the operation of his hands.

Successful oppression.

Habakkuk 1:15 They take up all of them with the Angle, they catch them in their net, and gather them in their drag: therefore they rejoice and are glad.

James 5:6 Ye have condemned and killed the just; and he doth not resist you.

Marred by jealousy.

Esther 5:13 Yet all this availeth me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate.

Often interrupted by judgments.

Numbers 11:33 And while the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague.

Job 15:21 A dreadful sound is in his ears: in prosperity the destroyer shall come upon him.

Psalms 73:18-20 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction. How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors. As a dream when one awaketh; so, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.

Jeremiah 25:10-11 Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the Light of the candle. And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

Leads to sorrow.

Proverbs 14:13 Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and the end of that mirth is heaviness.

Leads to recklessness.

Isaiah 22:13 And behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: let us eat and drink; for to morrow we shall die.

Sometimes a stumbling-block to Saints.

Psalm 73:3 For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

Psalm 73:16 When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me;

Saints often permitted to see the end of.

Psalm 73:17-20 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end. Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction. How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors. As a dream when one awaketh; so, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.

Envy not.

Psalm 37:1 Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.

Woe against.

Amos 6:1 Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, which are named chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came!

Luke 6:25 Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep.

Illustrated.

Psalm 37:35-36 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree. Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.

Exemplified.

Israel,

Numbers 11:33 And while the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague.

Haman,

Esther 5:9-11 Then went Haman forth that day joyful and with a glad heart: but when Haman saw Mordecai in the king's gate, that he stood not up, nor moved for him, he was full of indignation against Mordecai. Nevertheless Haman refrained himself: and when he came home, he sent and called for his friends, and Zeresh his wife. And Haman told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his children, and all the things wherein the king had promoted him, and how he had advanced him above the Princes and servants of the king.

Belshazzar,

Daniel 5:1 Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand.

Herod,

Acts 12:21-23 And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration unto them. And the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a god, and not of a man. And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.

The Wicked, Are Compared To

Abominable branches.

Isaiah 14:19 But thou Art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcase trodden under feet.

Ashes under the feet.

Malachi 4:3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts.

Bad fishes.

Matthew 13:48 Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

Beasts.

Psalms 49:12 Nevertheless man being in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts that perish.

2 Peter 2:12 But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

Blind, The.

Zephaniah 1:17 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have Sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

Matthew 15:14 Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

Brass and iron, ect.

Jeremiah 6:28 They are all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: they are brass and iron; they are all corrupters.

Ezekiel 22:18 Son of man, the house of Israel is to me become dross: all they are brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are even the dross of silver.

Briars and thorns.

Isaiah 55:13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Ezekiel 2:6 And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though briars and thorns be with thee, and thou dost dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they be a rebellious house.

Bulls of Bashan.

Psalms 22:12 Many bulls have compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round.

Carcasses trodden under feet.

Isaiah 14:19 But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcase trodden under feet.

Chaff.

Job 21:18 They are as stubble before the wind, and as chaff that the storm carrieth away.

Psalms 1:4 The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

Matthew 3:12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

Clouds without water.

Jude 12 These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;

Corn blasted.

2 Kings 19:26 Therefore their inhabitants were of small power, they were dismayed and confounded; they were as the grass of the field, and as the green herb, as the grass on the housetops, and as corn blasted before it be grown up.

Corrupt trees.

Luke 6:43 For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

Deaf Adders.

Psalm 58:4 Their poison is like the poison of a serpent: they are like the deaf Adder that stoppeth her ear;

Dogs.

Proverbs 26:11 As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly.

Matthew 7:6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

2 Peter 2:22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

Dross.

Psalm 119:119 Thou putttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.

Ezekiel 22:18-19 Son of man, the house of Israel is to me become dross: all they are brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are even the dross of silver. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye are all become dross, behold, therefore I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

Early dew that passeth away.

Hosea 13:3 Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the early dew that passeth away, as the chaff that is driven with the whirlwind out of the floor, and as the smoke out of the chimney.

Evil figs.

Jeremiah 24:8 And as the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely thus saith the LORD, So will I give Zedekiah the king of Judah, and his Princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt:

Fading oaks.

Isaiah 1:30 For ye shall be as an oak whose leaf fadeth, and as a garden that hath no water.

Fiery oven.

Psalm 21:9 Thou shalt make them as a fiery oven in the time of thine Anger: the LORD shall swallow them up in his wrath, and the fire shall devour them.

Hosea 7:4 They are all adulterers, as an oven heated by the baker, who ceaseth from raising after he hath kneaded the dough, until it be leavened.

Fire of thorns.

Psalm 118:12 They compassed me about like bees; they are quenched as the fire of thorns: for in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.

Fools building upon sand.

Matthew 7:26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

Fuel of fire.

Isaiah 9:19 Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is the land darkened, and the people shall be as the fuel of the fire: no man shall spare his brother.

Garden without water.

Isaiah 1:30 For ye shall be as an oak whose leaf fadeth, and as a garden that hath no water.

Goats.

Matthew 25:32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth *his* sheep from the goats:

Grass.

Psalm 37:2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.

Psalm 92:7 When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; it is that they shall be destroyed for ever:

Grass on the housetop.

2 Kings 19:26 Therefore their inhabitants were of small power, they were dismayed and confounded; they were as the grass of the field, and as the green herb, as the grass on the housetops, and as Corn blasted before it be grown up.

Green bay-trees.

Psalms 37:35 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.

Green herbs.

Psalms 37:2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.

Heath in the desert.

Jeremiah 17:6 For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited.

Horses rushing into the battle.

Jeremiah 8:6 I hearkened and heard, but they spake not aright: no man repented him of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? every one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battle.

Idols.

Psalms 115:8 They that make them are like unto them; so is every one that trusteth in them.

Lions greedy of prey.

Psalms 17:12 Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey, and as it were a young lion lurking in secret places.

Melting wax.

Psalms 68:2 As smoke is driven away, so drive them away: as wax melteth before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

Morning-clouds.

Hosea 13:3 Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the early dew that passeth away, as the chaff that is driven with the whirlwind out of the floor, and as the smoke out of the chimney.

Moth-eaten garments.

Isaiah 50:9 Behold, the Lord GOD will help me; who is he that shall condemn me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up.

Isaiah 51:8 For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool: but my righteousness shall be for ever, and my Salvation from generation to generation.

Passing whirlwinds.

Proverbs 10:25 As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the Righteous is an everlasting foundation.

Potsherds.

Proverbs 26:23 Burning lips and a wicked heart are like a potsherd covered with silver dross.

Raging waves of the sea.

Jude 13 Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.

Reprobate silver.

Jeremiah 6:30 Reprobate silver shall men call them, because the LORD hath rejected them.

Scorpions.

Ezekiel 2:6 And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though briers and thorns be with thee, and thou dost dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they be a rebellious house.

Serpents.

Psalm 58:4 Their poison is like the poison of a serpent: they are like the deaf Adder that stoppeth her ear;

Matthew 23:33 Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

Smoke.

Hosea 13:3 Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the early dew that passeth away, as the chaff that is driven with the whirlwind out of the floor, and as the smoke out of the chimney.

Stony ground.

Matthew 13:5 Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

Stubble.

Job 21:18 They are as stubble before the wind, and as chaff that the storm carrieth away.

Malachi 4:1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

Swine.

Matthew 7:6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

2 Peter 2:22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

Tares.

Matthew 13:38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one;

Troubled sea.

Isaiah 57:20 But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.

Visions of the night.

Job 20:8 He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be found: yea, he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.

Wandering stars.

Jude 13 Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.

Wayward children.

Matthew 11:16 ¶ But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows,

Wells without water.

2 Peter 2:17 These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.

Wheels.

Psalms 83:13 O my God, make them like a wheel; as the stubble before the wind.

Whited sepulchres.

Matthew 23:27 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

Wild ass's colt.

Job 11:12 For vain man would be wise, though man be born like a wild ass's colt.

The Judgment

Predicted in The Old Testament.

1 Chronicles 16:33 Then shall the trees of the wood Sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh to Judge the earth.

Psalms 9:7 But the LORD shall endure for ever: he hath prepared his throne for Judgment.

Psalms 96:13 Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to Judge the earth: he shall Judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

Ecclesiastes 3:17 I said in mine heart, God shall Judge the Righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work.

A first principle of the Gospel.

Hebrews 6:2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the Dead, and of eternal Judgment.

A day appointed for.

Acts 17:31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will Judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given Assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the Dead.

Romans 2:16 In the day when God shall Judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my Gospel.

Time of, unknown to us.

Mark 13:32 But of that day and *that* hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.

CALLED THE

Day of wrath.

Romans 2:5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the Righteous Judgment of God;

Revelation 6:17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

Revelation of the Righteous Judgment of God.

Romans 2:5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the Righteous Judgment of God;

Day of Judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

2 Peter 3:7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of Judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

Day of destruction.

Job 21:30 That the wicked is reserved to the day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath.

Judgment of the great day.

Jude 6 And the Angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the Judgment of the great day.

Shall be administered by Christ.

John 5:22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:

John 5:27 And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.

Saints shall sit with Christ in.

1 Corinthians 6:2 Do ye not know that the Saints shall Judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to Judge the smallest matters?

Revelation 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and Judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the Witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

Shall take place at the coming of Christ.

Matthew 25:31 ¶ When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

2 Timothy 4:1 I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall Judge the quick and the Dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

Of Heathens, by The Law of Conscience.

Romans 2:12 For as many as have Sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have Sinned in The Law shall be judged by The Law;

Romans 2:14-15 For when the Gentiles, which have not The Law, do by nature the things contained in The Law, these, having not The Law, are a law unto themselves: Which shew the work of The Law written in their hearts, their Conscience also bearing Witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)

Of Jews, by The Law of Moses.

Romans 2:12 For as many as have Sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have Sinned in The Law shall be judged by The Law;

Of Christians, by the Gospel.

James 2:12 So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by The Law of liberty.

SHALL BE HELD UPON

All nations.

Matthew 25:32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth *his* sheep from the goats:

All men.

Hebrews 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the Judgment:

Hebrews 12:23 To the general assembly and Church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

Small and great.

Revelation 20:12 And I saw the Dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the Book of Life: and the Dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

The Righteous and wicked.

Ecclesiastes 3:17 I said in mine heart, God shall Judge the Righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work.

Quick and Dead.

2 Timothy 4:1 I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall Judge the quick and the Dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

1 Peter 4:5 Who shall give account to him that is ready to Judge the quick and the Dead.

Shall be in righteousness.

Psalms 98:9 Before the LORD; for he cometh to Judge the earth: with righteousness shall he Judge the world, and the people with equity.

Acts 17:31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will Judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given Assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the Dead.

The books shall be opened at.

Daniel 7:10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the Judgment was set, and the books were opened.

SHALL BE OF ALL

Actions.

Ecclesiastes 11:9 Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into Judgment.

Ecclesiastes 12:14 For God shall bring every work into Judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

Revelation 20:13 And the sea gave up the Dead which were in it; and Death and Hell delivered up the Dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

Words.

Matthew 12:36-37 But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

Thoughts.

Ecclesiastes 12:14 For God shall bring every work into Judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

1 Corinthians 4:5 Therefore Judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to Light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

None, by nature can stand in.

Psalms 130:3 If thou, LORD, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?

Psalms 143:2 And enter not into Judgment with thy Servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

Romans 3:19 Now we know that what things soever The Law saith, it saith to them who are under The Law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

Saints shall, through Christ, be enabled to stand in.

Romans 8:33-34 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

Christ will acknowledge Saints at.

Matthew 25:34-40 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed *thee*? or thirsty, and gave *thee* drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took *thee* in? or naked, and clothed *thee*? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done *it* unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done *it* unto me.

Revelation 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Perfect love will give boldness in.

1 John 4:17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of Judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

Saints shall be rewarded at.

2 Timothy 4:8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

Revelation 11:18 And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the Dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the Prophets, and to the Saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.

The wicked shall be condemned in.

Matthew 7:22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

Matthew 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

Final punishment of the wicked will succeed.

Matthew 13:40-42 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 25:46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

The word of Christ shall be a Witness against the wicked in.

John 12:48 He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.

THE CERTAINTY OF, A MOTIVE TO

Repentance.

Acts 17:30-31 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent: Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will Judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given Assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the Dead.

Faith.

Isaiah 28:16-17 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste. Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.

Holiness.

2 Corinthians 5:9-10 Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. For we must all appear before the Judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

2 Peter 3:11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy Conversation and godliness,

2 Peter 3:14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

Prayer and watchfulness.

Mark 13:33 Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.

Warn the wicked of.

Acts 24:25 And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and Judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a Convenient season, I will call for thee.

2 Corinthians 5:11 Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your Consciences.

The wicked dread.

Acts 24:25 And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and Judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a Convenient season, I will call for thee.

Hebrews 10:27 But a certain fearful looking for of Judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.

Neglected advantages increase condemnation at.

Matthew 11:20-24 Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not: *Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee.*

Luke 11:31-32 *The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here. The men of Nineve shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here.*

Devils shall be condemned at.

2 Peter 2:4 For if God spared not the Angels that Sinned, but cast them down to Hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto Judgment;

Jude 6 And the Angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the Judgment of the great day.

PURGATORY?

Do Saints "Purge" their own Sins for Millions of Years?

The blood of Christ has purged all the sins of the saints, "once for all," "it is finished"

Hebrews 7:27 Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for **this he did once**, when he offered up himself.

Hebrews 9:7 But into the second *went* the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and *for* the errors of the people:

Hebrews 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but **by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place**, having obtained eternal redemption *for us*.

Hebrews 9:25-26 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others; For **then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself**.

Hebrews 9:28 So **Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many**; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

Hebrews 10:10 By the which will **we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all**.

1 Peter 3:18 ¶ For **Christ also hath once suffered for sins**, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:

The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin

1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

THE CROSS, CHRIST'S FINISHED WORK

How Does Christ's One Time Death on the Cross Obtain Eternal Redemption for Us?

Believers are SANCTIFIED by the Cross ONCE—Forever.

Hebrews 10:10. By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Believers are PERFECTED by the Cross ONCE—Forever.

Hebrews 10:14. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

Believers are WASHED by the Cross.

Revelation 1:5. And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

Believers are JUSTIFIED by the Cross.

1 Corinthians 6:11. And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

Romans 5:9. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Believers are FORGIVEN of ALL Sin by the Cross.

Ephesians 1:7. In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

John 1:7. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Believers Have the ATONEMENT Now by the Cross.

Romans 5:11. And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

Believers Have PEACE With God.

Romans 5:1. ¶ Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

Believers Have Been RECONCILED With God by the Cross.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21. Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of **God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ**, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that **God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them**; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

Let's Recap:

- **Jesus Offering Upon the Cross, was for the Sins of the WHOLE World.**
- **God's Wrath Has Been ETERNALLY Satisfied by the Cross.**
- **Believers are SANCTIFIED Forever by the Cross.**
- **Believers are PERFECTED Forever.**
- **Believers are WASHED.**
- **Believers are JUSTIFIED.**
- **Believers have the ATONEMENT Now.**
- **Believers have PEACE with God.**
- **Believers have Been RECONCILED with God by the Cross.**

Jesus PURGED Our Sins, by Himself, & then He Sat Down.

The Punishment of the Wicked

Is from God.

Leviticus 26:18 And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will punish you seven times more for your Sins.

Isaiah 13:11 And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

ON ACCOUNT OF THEIR

Sin.

Lamentations 3:39 Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his Sins?

Iniquity.

Jeremiah 36:31 And I will punish him and his seed and his servants for their iniquity; and I will bring upon them, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the men of Judah, all the evil that I have pronounced against them; but they hearkened not.

Ezekiel 3:17-18 Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me. When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

Ezekiel 18:4 Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the Father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that Sinneth, it shall die.

Ezekiel 18:13 Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: shall he then live? he shall not live: he hath done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him.

Ezekiel 18:20 The soul that Sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the Father, neither shall the Father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the Righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

Idolatry.

Leviticus 26:30 And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your Images, and cast your carcases upon the carcases of your Idols, and my soul shall Abhor you.

Isaiah 10:10-11 As my hand hath found the kingdoms of the Idols, and whose graven Images did excel them of Jerusalem and of Samaria; Shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her Idols, so do to Jerusalem and her Idols?

Rejection of The Law of God.

1 Samuel 15:23 For rebellion is as the Sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.

Hosea 4:6-9 ¶ My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children. As they were increased, so they sinned against me: *therefore* will I change their glory into shame. They eat up the sin of my people, and they set their heart on their iniquity. And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish them for their ways, and reward them their doings.

Ignorance of God.

2 Thessalonians 1:8 In flaming fire taking Vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Evil ways and doings.

Jeremiah 21:14 But I will punish you according to the fruit of your doings, saith the LORD: and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and it shall devour all things round about it.

Hosea 4:9 And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish them for their ways, and reward them their doings.

Hosea 12:2 The LORD hath also a controversy with Judah, and will punish Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he recompense him.

Pride.

Isaiah 10:12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, that when the Lord hath performed his whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.

Isaiah 24:21 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall punish the host of the high ones that are on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth.

Luke 14:11 For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Unbelief.

Mark 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Romans 11:20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by Faith. Be not highminded, but fear:

Hebrews 3:18 And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not?

Hebrews 4:2 For unto us was the Gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with Faith in them that heard it.

Covetousness.

Isaiah 57:17 For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me, and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart.

Jeremiah 51:13 O thou that dwellest upon many waters, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, and the measure of thy covetousness.

Oppressing.

Isaiah 49:26 And I will feed them that oppress thee with their own flesh; and they shall be drunken with their own blood, as with sweet wine: and all flesh shall know that I the LORD am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.

Jeremiah 30:16 Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.

Jeremiah 30:20 Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their Congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them.

Persecuting.

Jeremiah 11:21-22 Therefore thus saith the LORD of the men of Anathoth, that seek thy life, saying, Prophecy not in the name of the LORD, that thou die not by our hand: Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, I will punish them: the young men shall die by the sword; their sons and their daughters shall die by famine:

Disobeying God.

Nehemiah 9:26-27 Nevertheless they were disobedient, and rebelled against thee, and cast thy law behind their backs, and slew thy Prophets which testified against them to turn

them to thee, and they wrought great provocations. Therefore thou deliveredst them into the hand of their enemies, who vexed them: and in the time of their trouble, when they cried unto thee, thou heardest them from heaven; and according to thy manifold mercies thou gavest them saviours, who saved them out of the hand of their enemies.

Disobeying the Gospel.

2 Thessalonians 1:8 In flaming fire taking Vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Is the fruit of their Sin.

Job 4:8 Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same.

Proverbs 22:8 He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his Anger shall fail.

Romans 6:21 What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is Death.

Galatians 6:8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

Is the reward of their Sins.

Psalms 91:8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

Isaiah 3:11 Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given him.

Jeremiah 16:18 And first I will recompense their iniquity and their Sin double; because they have defiled my land, they have filled mine inheritance with the carcases of their detestable and abominable things.

Romans 6:23 For the wages of Sin is Death; but the gift of God is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hebrews 2:2 For if the word spoken by Angels was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward;

Often brought about by their evil designs.

Esther 7:10 So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the king's wrath pacified.

Psalm 37:15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.

Psalm 57:6 They have prepared a net for my steps; my soul is bowed down: they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen themselves. Selah.

Often commences in this life.

Proverbs 11:31 Behold, the Righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and the sinner.

IN THIS LIFE BY

Sickness.

Leviticus 26:16 I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror, Consumption, and the burning Ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

Psalm 78:50 He made a way to his Anger; he spared not their soul from Death, but gave their life over to the pestilence;

Famine.

Leviticus 26:19-20 And I will break the pride of your power; and I will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass: And your strength shall be spent in vain: for your land shall not yield her increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits.

Leviticus 26:26 And when I have broken the staff of your bread, ten Women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver you your bread again by weight: and ye shall eat, and not be satisfied.

Leviticus 26:29 And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.

Noisome beasts.

Leviticus 26:22 I will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number; and your high ways shall be desolate.

War.

Leviticus 26:25 And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall avenge the quarrel of my covenant: and when ye are gathered together within your cities, I will send the pestilence among you; and ye shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy.

Leviticus 26:32-33 And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it. And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.

Deliverance unto enemies.

Nehemiah 9:27 Therefore thou deliveredst them into the hand of their enemies, who vexed them: and in the time of their trouble, when they cried unto thee, thou heardest them from heaven; and according to thy manifold mercies thou gavest them saviours, who saved them out of the hand of their enemies.

Fear.

Leviticus 26:36-37 And upon them that are left alive of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth. And they shall fall one upon another, as it were before a sword, when none pursueth: and ye shall have no power to stand before your enemies.

Reprobate mind.

Romans 1:28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not Convenient;

Put in slippery places.

Psalms 73:3-19 For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. For there are no bands in their Death: but their strength is firm. They are not in trouble as other men; neither are they plagued like other men. Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them as a garment. ...

Trouble and distress.

Isaiah 8:22 And they shall look unto the earth; and behold trouble and darkness, dimness of anguish; and they shall be driven to darkness.

Zephaniah 1:15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wateness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

Cutting off.

Psalms 94:23 And he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; yea, the LORD our God shall cut them off.

Bringing down their pride.

Isaiah 13:11 And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

Future, shall be awarded by Christ.

Matthew 16:27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

Matthew 25:31 ¶ When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

Matthew 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

FUTURE DESCRIBED AS

Hell.

Psalms 9:17 The wicked shall be turned into Hell, and all the nations that forget God.

Matthew 5:29 And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell.

Luke 12:5 But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

Luke 16:23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

Darkness.

Matthew 8:12 But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

2 Peter 2:17 These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.

Death.

Romans 5:12-17 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: (For until the law sin was in

the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come. But not as the offence, so also *is* the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, *which is* by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many. And not as *it was* by one that sinned, *so is* the gift: for the judgment *was* by one to condemnation, but the free gift *is* of many offences unto justification. For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)

Romans 6:23 For the wages of Sin is Death; but the gift of God is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Resurrection of damnation.

John 5:29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

Rising to shame and everlasting contempt.

Daniel 12:2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

Everlasting destruction.

Psalms 52:5 God shall likewise destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee away, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling place, and root thee out of the land of the living. Selah.

Psalms 92:7 When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; it is that they shall be destroyed for ever:

2 Thessalonians 1:9 Who shall be Punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

Everlasting fire.

Matthew 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

Jude 7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to Fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the Vengeance of eternal fire.

Second Death.

Revelation 2:11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

Revelation 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and Idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and Brimstone: which is the second Death.

Damnation of Hell.

Matthew 23:33 Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?

Eternal damnation.

Mark 3:29 But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation:

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Blackness of darkness.

2 Peter 2:17 These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.

Jude 13 Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.

Everlasting burnings.

Isaiah 33:14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

The Wrath of God.

John 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the Wrath of God abideth on him.

Wine of the Wrath of God.

Revelation 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the Wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and Brimstone in the presence of the holy Angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Torment with fire.

Revelation 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the Wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and Brimstone in the presence of the holy Angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Torment for ever and ever.

Revelation 14:11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

The righteousness of God requires.

2 Thessalonians 1:6 Seeing it is a Righteous thing with God to recompense Tribulation to them that trouble you;

Often sudden and unexpected.

Psalms 35:8 Let destruction come upon him at unawares; and let his net that he hath hid catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.

Psalms 64:7 But God shall shoot at them with an arrow; suddenly shall they be wounded.

Proverbs 29:1 He, that being often reprov'd hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.

Luke 12:20 But God said unto him, *Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?*

1 Thessalonians 5:3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

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According to their deeds.

Matthew 16:27 *For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.*

Romans 2:6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds:

Romans 2:9 Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile;

2 Corinthians 5:10 For we must all appear before the Judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

According to the knowledge possessed by them.

Luke 12:47-48 And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many *stripes*. But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few *stripes*. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

Increased by neglect of privileges.

Matthew 11:21-24 Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee.

Luke 10:13-15 Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great while ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment, than for you. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to hell.

Without mitigation.

Luke 16:23-26 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that *would come* from thence.

Accompanied by remorse.

Isaiah 66:24 And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.

Mark 9:44 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

No combination avails against.

Proverbs 11:21 Though hand join in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished: but the seed of the Righteous shall be delivered.

Deferred, emboldens them in Sin.

Ecclesiastes 8:11 Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

Should be a warning to others.

Numbers 26:10 And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died, what time the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men: and they became a sign.

1 Corinthians 10:6-11 ¶ Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as *were* some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.

Jude 7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to Fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the Vengeance of eternal fire.

Consummated at the day of Judgment.

Matthew 25:31 ¶ When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

Matthew 25:46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Sins That Result in Being Outside the City of God, If Not Repented Of:

There are Different Degrees of Punishment.

Luke 12:47-48. And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many *stripes*. But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few *stripes*. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

There are Sins not Unto Death (Repented Sins)

1 John 5:16-17. If any man see his brother sin **a sin which is not unto death**, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for **them that sin not unto death**. There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it. All unrighteousness is sin: and **there is a sin not unto death**.

God Forgives All Who Repent, and Believe the Gospel

Mark 1:15. And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: **repent ye, and believe the gospel**.

Luke 24:47. And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

God Forgives All Who Humble Themselves and Confess Their Sins.

1 John 1:9. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Luke 18:13-14. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, **God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified** *rather* than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and **he that humbleth himself shall be exalted**.

There Are Sins Unto Death (Grievous Sins that are Never Repented of).

1 John 5:16-17. If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. **There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it.** All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death.

The Wrath of God Upon the Children of Disobedience.

Ephesians 5:3-6. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, **hath any inheritance in the kingdom of christ and of God.** Let no man deceive you with vain words: for **because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.**

The Unrighteous Shall Not Inherit The Kingdom of God.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10. Know ye not that **the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God?** *Be not deceived:* neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, **shall inherit the kingdom of God.**

Such Shall Not Inherit The Kingdom of God.

Galatians 5:19-21. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that **they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.**

By Nature The Children of Wrath.

Ephesians 2:2-3. Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in **the children of disobedience:** Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature **the children of wrath,** even as others.

Shall Have Their Part In The Lake of Fire.

Revelation 21:8. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, **shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone:** which is the second death.

For Without Are.

Revelation 22:15. **For without are** dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

The Wrath of God on the Children of Disobedience.

Colossians 3:5-6. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: **For which things' sake the wrath of god cometh on the children of disobedience:**

They Which Commit Such Things Are Worthy of Death.

Romans 1:28-32. and even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who **knowing the judgment of god, that they which commit such things are worthy of death,** not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

The Law is not Made for a Righteous Man, but for the Lawless.

1 Timothy 1:9-10. Knowing this, that **the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient,** for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;

Such Were Some of You

1 Corinthians 6:11. and **SUCH WERE SOME OF YOU:** but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

1 Corinthians 12:2. Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led.

Titus 3:3-6. For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;

1 Peter 4:2-3. That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries:

Romans 6:17-19. But God be thanked, that *ye were the servants of sin*, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness. I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for *as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity*; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

Ephesians 2:1-3. and you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

If Any Man Sin, We Have An Advocate With The Father

1 John 2:1-2. My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. and **IF ANY MAN SIN, WE HAVE AN ADVOCATE WITH THE FATHER, JESUS CHRIST** the righteous: and He is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

The Blood of Jesus Christ His Son Cleanseth Us From All Sin

1 John 1:7. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST HIS SON CLEANSETH US FROM ALL SIN.**

Hell

Everlasting burnings.

Isaiah 33:14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

A furnace of fire.

Matthew 13:42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 13:50 And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

A lake of fire.

Revelation 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Fire and Brimstone.

Revelation 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the Wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and Brimstone in the presence of the holy Angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Unquenchable fire.

Matthew 3:12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

Devouring fire.

Isaiah 33:14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

Prepared for the devil.

Matthew 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

Devils are reserved in everlasting chains, until the Judgment-day.

2 Peter 2:4 For if God spared not the Angels that Sinned, but cast them down to Hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto Judgment;

Jude 6 And the Angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the Judgment of the great day.

Punishment of, is eternal.

Isaiah 33:14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

Revelation 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and Brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

The wicked shall be turned into.

Psalms 9:17 The wicked shall be turned into Hell, and all the nations that forget God.

Human power cannot preserve from.

Ezekiel 32:27 And they shall not lie with the mighty that are fallen of the uncircumcised, which are gone down to Hell with their weapons of war: and they have laid their swords under their heads, but their iniquities shall be upon their bones, though they were the terror of the mighty in the land of the living.

The physical body suffers in.

Matthew 5:29 And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell.

Are Souls In the Lake Of Fire Immortal?

Matthew 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

The wise avoid.

Proverbs 15:24 The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from Hell beneath.

Endeavor to keep others from.

Proverbs 23:14 Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from Hell.

Jude 23 And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.

The society of the wicked leads to.

Proverbs 5:5 Her feet go down to Death; her steps take hold on Hell.

Proverbs 9:18 But he knoweth not that the Dead are there; and that her guests are in the depths of Hell.

The Beast, False Prophets, And The Devil Shall Be Cast Into.

Revelation 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought Miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the Mark of the Beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with Brimstone.

Revelation 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and Brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

The powers of, cannot prevail against the Church.

Matthew 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Illustrated.

Isaiah 30:33 For Tophet is ordained of old; yea, for the king it is prepared; he hath made it deep and large: the pile thereof is fire and much wood; the breath of the LORD, like a stream of Brimstone, doth kindle it.

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